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STRAIGHT TALKING.

Sir A. Chamberlain Speaks Out at Geneva.

BRITAIN AND ARMAMENTS.

Shows How We Have Reduced Navy and Army.

DONE MORE THAN OTHER GREAT POWERS.

The diplomatic air at Geneva has been somewhat cleared by a rousing speech by Sir Austen Chamberlain at a meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations.

The British Minister of Foreign Affairs clearly and definitely sets forth Britain's policy regarding security and disarmament. He tells the world just how far we are prepared to go in the matter of disarmament and why we will not—indeed cannot—go further, and pertinently asks what other Power carrying the world-wide responsibilities of Britain would so have reduced both Army and Navy as we have done since the termination of the war.

BRITISH MINISTER'S WARNING.

London, Yesterday.

Sir Austen Chamberlain made a notable speech at the League of Nations Assembly yesterday. The British Foreign Minister made an uncompromising reply to the critics of Great Britain's policy in regard to security and disarmament. What was demanded, he declared, meant the destruction of the British Empire.

He said: "No one can regret more than my country does the failure of the Three Power Conference on naval disarmament to reach an agreement, but even from the failure we may draw the hope that we may in time win success. We may find encouragement that three great Powers should have met to discuss so vital a question, should have found themselves maintaining opposite and irreconcilable views and should have carried on the discussion under the eye of the public, and when, after all, they were unable to agree, their cordial relations of amity and respect should remain unimpaired and their confidence in peaceful intentions of each other received no check. But was not the failure of that conference a lesson for all?"

Sir A. Chamberlain referred to the fact that the Locarno Conference had been preceded by several months anxious and careful preparation and only those who took part in it knew what difficulties had to be overcome before the Treaties of Locarno were signed.

"May we not see that failure to agree in the Three Power Conference came from lack of preparation, from a failure to secure sufficient basis of agreement before the conference met, and may we not draw from these inspirations to work patiently, even if we work slowly, and that it is not always by hurrying that the greatest or even quickest results are achieved?"

Britain's Desire.

His country, declared Sir A. Chamberlain, yielded to no other in its desire to see great and large restriction in armaments. Its interest in disarmament lay not only in words and speeches, but in facts.

"The British Army was reduced immediately peace was secured to less than pre-war level, to a strength which is only sufficient to discharge the great responsibilities which we carry on our shoulders in so many parts of the world. Our Navy cannot be compared with the Navy which we maintained, I do not say during the war but before the war. Year by year the budgets for armed forces of our country have grown less. I beg you to ask yourselves—which of you carrying our load of responsibility of the peace of so many and such scattered countries under such varied conditions would have done more?"

"Is there any country, I would even ask, that would have done as much? Our interest is shown by the risks that we have taken and are taking by reductions which we have already made. Far be it from me to say that there is no further contribution that we can make to the cause of disarmament and peace. Knowing all this, for the sake of peace, to help to bring the nations together and to give them that security which makes their mutual agreements possible. We have pledged

our word once more to do in the case of aggression on those western frontiers for Germany, for France, for Belgium, as the case may be, what we had pledged our word to do before and were called upon to do.—British Wireless Service.

Opinions on Speech.

London, To-day.

This morning's papers give different opinions as regards Sir A. Chamberlain's speech. For the most part, however, they agree that public opinion in Britain and the Dominions is dead against Britain accepting further heavy obligations.

The "Daily Telegraph" says the speech states in downright terms that the British Government does not intend to add to its already heavy obligations for the preventing of war. This declaration will doubtless be heard with relief throughout the Empire.—Reuter.

Go Slow.

Geneva, Yesterday.

Sir A. Chamberlain concluded from the failure of the Geneva naval conference that we should work patiently, even if slowly. The greatest and quickest results were not achieved by hurrying. He asked if any country had done as much for disarmament as Britain, whose army and navy were much under the pre-war level, and whose budget and armed force was annually decreasing. He emphasised that Britain arbitrated on more grave questions than any country in the world and warned the Assembly to beware of piling obligation on obligation and sanction on sanction lest they made of it a living tomb. The league did not depend on signed documents. The British Government based its policy on the League.

Assembly at Work.

The Assembly referred to a committee the Polish motion in regard to prohibition of wars of aggression and also the motion of Senor Raballero, Paraguay, in favour of preparing a general and synthetic plan for the codification of international law. The Assembly deferred consideration till to-morrow of the modified resolution submitted by Van Bokland in favour of resuming the discussion on the basic principles of the Geneva protocol at leisure. Van Bokland declared this would not necessarily lead to a discussion of the protocol itself.

Franco-German Friendship.

Addressing the Assembly, M. Briand paid a warm tribute to Herr Stresemann's "noble" speech yesterday, and said that the Franco-German delegates now meet openly to discuss the most delicate questions in a manner previously inconceivable. He declared that the public discussion of disarmament helped the cause of peace. M. Briand approved the Polish project and added that if he were asked to participate in the solemn affirmation of an outlawry of war like that outlined by Herr Stresemann he would never hesitate.

France Explains.

Referring to France's refusal to participate in the recent Anglo-Japanese-American Naval Conference, M. Briand said that

TO PROTECT JAPAN.

Reported Agreement With Nationalists.

SHANTUNG WITHDRAWAL.

Outcome Of Mr. Yoshizawa's Visit To Nanking.

Shanghai, Sept. 7. The Nationalist government to-day disclosed the contents of an agreement whereby the Nationalists undertake to guarantee the protection of lives and property of Japanese subjects residing in Nationalist territory.

It was revealed that the agreement was negotiated on August 17 last when the Japanese Minister Yoshizawa visited the Nationalist capital at Nanking. During this visit he was in conference with C. C. Wu, foreign minister of the Nationalist government.

It is stated in official circles that this agreement was responsible for the Japanese decision to withdraw their troops from Shantung. This withdrawal was completed to-day.

Feng's Threat. Quo Tai Chi, vice minister of foreign affairs, to-day officially thanked the Japanese government for withdrawing their troops but strongly repudiated the recent declaration of Japan's premier, Tanaka, to the effect that Japan is entitled to return her troops in case she considers the situation so warrants. Quo Tai-chi declared:

"This is an unwarranted presumption of the Japanese government."

Feng Fu-hsiang, the Christian general, to-day wired the Nationalist government that he is launching an offensive battle against the Northern army in Shantung province with an army of 80,000 men. He claims that his troops succeeded in getting through Honan province and are now on the border of Shantung. He stated that as soon as possible he will launch an attack on Hauchowfu in an attempt to reach the coast.

she felt a limited conference was doomed or at least unlikely to meet with any great success. He was of opinion that any such work could be better done by the League.

Sir Austen Chamberlain said it was idle to pretend that the failure of the Conference had not caused disquietude in Britain and he much regretted that failure. But he found encouragement in the fact that three Great Powers could meet in friendly discussion and confidence and their reciprocal peaceful intentions could remain undisturbed despite that failure.

Sir Austen, whose speech was loudly applauded, contended that to ask Britain to guarantee all frontiers in addition to her guarantee of the frontiers of France, Germany and Belgium was impossible. It meant asking nothing less than the disruption of the British Empire. His loyalty to the League was profound but his loyalty to the other league which was the British Empire came first.

Reply to Mr. Hambro. Both M. Briand and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied to Mr. Hambro's (Norway) insinuations in the course of the Assembly debate. The former gave an assurance that the statesmen of Great Powers in conversing never desired to impose any decision on the Assembly because all were working for the world wide task of the League. There had never been any mystery concerning talks.

Sir Austen asked if the delegates of the Great Powers were the only members of the Assembly holding meetings and contended that the work done in conversations helped instead of impeding the Council's work.

The Protocol. Sir Austen Chamberlain deprecated attempts at present to renew the Protocol, expressing the opinion that no useful purpose could be served in re-opening the troubled debates before there had been some indication of a change of mind from any quarter.—Reuter.

AGAINST CANTON.

Irregular Troops Near Bias Bay.

VILLAGE REBELS.

Govt. Troops Busy Dispersing Chen's Late Soldiery.

Near Bias Bay, the notorious pirate haunt, bodies of irregular "Red" troops are reported to be rising against the Canton Government.

The districts involved are those of Hofung and Lukfung, between which stands Bias Bay. The trouble has broken out at some considerable distance from the coast-line.

Those concerned include Peasants' Corps, bandits and guerrillas who once fought under the standard of General Chen Chiung-ming.

At one village, the representative of the district magistrate has fled but the Village Volunteers are in control and have managed to keep the rebels at bay.

Further along the coast (i.e., at Swatow and environs) there is no trouble.

Another rising is reported on the Lim River, in the south-west of Kwangtung province. According to the "Hong Kong Evening Post," the authorities (comprising less than a hundred guards) launched two attacks, one lasting a day and a night. The despatch maintains that the rebels have been dispersed.

Union Leader Stabbed.

Fuents in the Canton labour underworld came to a head on Friday when one of the leaders of the Chinese Seamen's Union was murdered in daylight in a busy part of the city.

Deceased occupied an important position in Canton's labour guilds and, by virtue of his position, always carried a revolver for his own protection.

He had been out that morning and was returning, about 10 a.m., to the Seamen's Union headquarters in Taiping Maloo, off the west bank. His assailant stole up from behind, drew two daggers and plunged them into his back.

The labour leader tried to draw his revolver but collapsed in the street, succumbing shortly after being carried away by the police. The assailant escaped.

IN THE NEWS.

ITEMS FROM TO-DAY'S POLICE REPORTS.

Mrs. L. Greenberg, residing at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, has reported to the police the theft from her room some time on Saturday, of a gold wrist watch worth \$55.

A Chinese was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital from No. 33 Ice House Street suffering from poisoning following a meal which included some shell fish.

Money, clothing and jewellery worth \$692 was reported stolen from the ground floor of No. 78 Wuyang Street, Kowloon, last night. The loss was not discovered until the morning.

The report of a motor accident on the Tai Po Road was made to the police yesterday by Mr. H. G. Leong of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. He was driving motor car No. 1569 behind a motor bus going in the direction of Shamshuipo, when nearing Cheungshawan, he attempted to pass the bus. As he drew level with the bus, a Chinese woman, who had been walking on the pavement suddenly stepped into the road. In swerving to avoid the woman, the front axle of the car struck one of the rear wheels of the bus which was overturned. All the passengers were thrown out heavily, and some were injured by broken glass. A passing doctor rendered first aid to the injured, most of whom suffered very slightly. Two women were more seriously injured, however, and they were taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital in Mr. Leong's car.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 1/11 7/16.

"WILL NEVER QUIT."

United States and the Philippines.

PROFESSOR'S DECLARATION.

A Good Place To Sell American Goods.

Manila, Sept. 9.

If the Philippines expect the United States to give them their independence, they might just as well change their attitude now according to Scott Nearing, radical professor who is spending a few days in Manila en route to China.

"The United States has every reason to remain in the Philippine Islands and not one little reason to get out. The only way to get the United States out of the Philippines is to put them out by force. Organised labourers and farmers are the ones to fight for independence but even they will never be able to do it alone. When the Philippines get their independence it will be through the aid of the Pan Asiatic Union."

The impossibility of the United States getting out of the Philippines lies in two things; economical problems and international relations, the latter being the more important of the two, Dr. Nearing claims. He said:—

Must Exploit Others.

"The United States has come to a level where she no longer can invest her capital at home. She must exploit other nations. The Philippine Islands is a good place to sell American made goods and at the same time it is a good place to get sugar, hemp, coconut, rubber, and other things that America must have. Then the trade of the world is shifting from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The Far East is going to be the stamping ground within a very few years and the United States needs a place to keep an army and a navy close at hand. The Philippines is the ideal place."

Dr. Nearing predicts that in future there will be war between the United States and Great Britain, resulting in the former becoming the ruling factor of all Europe and an aspirant to rule the world.

In the meantime, he continued, Japan will turn "Red" and join with the Soviet powers, which will include all of Asia and the Far East. The great war will be between the imperialists and the Soviets. He said the United States will remain the ruling nation indefinitely.

CONSTABLE JAILED.

OBTAINING "SQUEEZE" FROM HAWKERS.

THREE MONTHS.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, Choi Lau, Chinese constable C492 was sentenced by Mr. R. E. Lindsell to three months' hard labour for obtaining "squeeze" money from hawkers in Lower and Upper Lascar Row on September 1 and 2.

Mr. D. McCallum defended. According to a small boy, on September 1, the accused instructed him to go round collecting money from hawkers, while the accused followed him at a distance of about three shops away. He collected 50 cents from about 20 hawkers, and acting on the accused's instructions handed the money over to a congee hawker. Accused afterwards treated him to a bottle of lemonade at the congee hawker's stall. The collection of the money occupied two hours from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

The following day he was sent to collect from hawkers in Queen's Road Central. While he was taking money from a jelly hawker, a Chinese Sergeant came up and arrested him. He did not know the accused's name or number, but subsequently identified him at Central Station because of a black mark on his chin.

The accused attempted to establish an alibi by saying that on both mornings in question he attended defaulters' parades at Central Station.

This was broken down by the C.S.P.'s interpreter and the Chinese Sergeant-Major in charge of defaulters, who deposed that defaulters' parades always took place at 10.20 a.m. As it only took seven minutes for the accused to walk back to the station

TROOPS UNITE.

Wu-Han and Nanking Soldiery To Attack North.

RETREAT UP RAILWAY.

Sun Chuan-fang's Forces Driven From Yangchow.

FORTHCOMING "PEACE CONFERENCE"

Messages from Nanking indicate that the Hankow and Nanking military forces are, in a degree, co-operating against the North-erners, though the latter soldiery are doing the actual following-up of the Sun Chuan-fang troops. The report that the Nationalists have captured Yangchow points to a general retreat by the Northerners.

Preparations are proceeding for the holding of the Wu-Han-Nanking "Peace Conference" at Nanking on the 15th instant.

KWANGTUNG RISINGS.

Nanking, Yesterday.

The Northern Army is reported to be retreating up the railway from Pukow to Tientsin.

Troops of the 7th and 40th Nationalist Armies have crossed over from Nanking to Pukow and detachments of the 37th Nationalist Army have arrived here from further up the Yangtze River.—British Naval Wireless.

[This message indicates that the Wu-Han and Nanking armies are co-operating. The 7th and 40th armies belong to the Nanking side. Men are sent across the Yangtze by these and their places, ostensibly, are taken by the 37th army which is loyal to Wu-Han and which is still moving leisurely down the river.]

Wuhu Movements.

Wuhu, Yesterday.

The Peace Conference between the Wu-Han and Nanking factions has been fixed for September 15 at Nanking.

General Chen Tiao-yuan has left for Nanking to attend the Conference. General Tang Seng-chi is reported to have passed Wuhu, on his way down river, also to attend the Conference.

Troops of the 37th Nationalist Army have been returning here from further down the river. About 3,600 of the 6th Nationalist Army have arrived at Wuhu by transport from up-river. They are accompanied by General Ching Chien who is reported to be working in conjunction with General Tang Seng-chi.—British Naval Wireless.

[General Chen Tiao-yuan belongs to the Nanking faction. When the Wu-Han troops reached Wuhu from further up the Yangtze, he "retired" to make way for them. Wuhu is about 100 miles above Nanking.]

General Tang Seng-chi is the "strong man" of the Wu-Han faction and General Ching Chien commands the 6th Army. Both of these have been moving their troops down the Yangtze to Wuhu. The 37th Army also works in conjunction with Tang Seng-chi; it took over control at Wuhu, started moving down river (towards Nanking) but have now turned back again.]

Yang Chow Taken.

Chinkiang, Saturday.

Yang Chow has been captured by Southerners, and the Northerners have retreated about 30 miles up the Grand Canal.—British Naval Wireless.

Chiang in Shanghai.

That General Chiang Kai-shek, till recently commander-in-chief of the Nationalist Armies, has gone to Shanghai for a definite purpose is the most important feature of to-day's Chinese cables from the north. One paper mentions the road

from his beat. Sub-Inspector Andrews pointed out that it was possible for the accused to have been with the boy prior to attending the parade.

Having ascertained from Mr. W. J. Bart Sparrow, A.S.P., that there was no serious record against the accused, who had been in the Force seven months, Mr. Lindsell passed sentence as stated above.

which Chiang Kai-shek is believed to be staying at the house of a friend.

The cables mention that reports are current in Shanghai to the effect that Chiang Kai-shek has arrived there to meet Mr. Wang Ching-wai (chairman of the Kuomintang and leader of the Wu-Han politicians).

Confirmation Awaited.

According to the correspondent of the "Hong Kong Evening Post," General Chiang Kai-shek is in an apologetic frame of mind and "is willing to submit to the adjudication of the fourth plenary session of the Kuomintang Central Executive Council."

The report from Shanghai concludes by saying that it has not been possible to confirm the news.

There is little news in connection with war developments along the lower course of the Yangtze River.

One despatch, attributed to the Nanking war council, claims



General Ho Ying-ching, commander of the 1st Nationalist Army and a pro-Chiang Kai-shek "diehard."

large captures from the Northerners but the figures seem too big to be true.

Straw in the Wind?

Another message says that General Ho Ying-ching has signified his intention of joining hands with the Wu-Han-Nanking coalition. This is interesting because General Ho Ying-ching (commander of the 1st Nationalist Army in succession to Chiang Kai-shek) is a "Nanking diehard" who has been opposed to co-operation with the Wu-Han faction.

MR. T. R. PERCY.

C.P.S. AGENT DIES IN SHANGHAI.

We regret to learn of the death of Mr. T. R. Percy, General Agent, Passenger Department, Canadian Pacific, Shanghai, which occurred in that city at 10 p.m., Sunday, the 11th instant.

Mr. Percy was born in North of Ireland on April 21, 1888, and went to Canada in 1907 where he was employed by the Canadian Pacific and was transferred to Japan in 1919. He was appointed General Agent, Passenger Department, in Hong Kong on November 1, 1921, and remained here until January 1, 1926 when he was transferred to Shanghai.

Mr. Percy leaves a large circle of friends in Hong Kong and deepest sympathy is felt with his widow who is at present in Shanghai.

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Hong Kong, 2nd September, 1927.

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By Order,

A. H. ABBAS,

Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 8th September, 1927.

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Favoured with ideal weather, the first annual outing for the Blind, organised jointly by the Ladies' Guild and Young Men's Club of St. Peter's Church, was successfully held at Shek-O on Saturday afternoon.

The party consisted of fifty blind girls from the Blind Home, Kowloon, in charge of Miss Bewick, the Superintendent. They were met by a band of ready helpers at the Star Ferry Wharf at 2.30 p.m. and placed in motor cars lent by various car owners.

An escort was provided by the Flying Squad of the Hong Kong Police Reserve under Crown Sergeant Harry Kong and accompanied by Traffic Sergeants Baker and Tuckett. Dr. T. H. Thomas was also in attendance to render medical assistance in case of accidents.

The party wound its way in one long procession to Shek-O and all the villagers there came out to see (what appeared to them) an unusual sight, most of them remaining curious spectators during the whole afternoon. Arrived at the beach, the helpers got busy and very soon a sumptuous meal, in the form of corn-beef, cakes and sweets, was served. Each of the fifty girls was then given enough material to make a jacket together with a box of soap, a towel, and a couple of handkerchiefs. At sunset the party started for home and the Star Ferry Wharf was reached shortly before 7 p.m. when a most enjoyable picnic came to a close.

The Organising Committee desires to thank very warmly those who assisted in the arrangements which went off without a hitch, and also the following car owners for the loan of their cars, without which the picnic would not have been able to take place:—Hon. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Southern, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Sir R. Ho Tung, Kt., the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Commander and Mrs. Hartford, Mr. Ho Kwong, Miss Jean Ho Tung, Captain F. Bayliss, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. R. Griggs, Messrs. C. H. Blason, W. Thomas Tam, L.L.B., and Andrew Cheung.

The Committee acknowledges with thanks, donations from Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Misses A. Mow Fung, M. Kaser, and E. L. Rogers, Messrs. F. Brett, E. Mow Fung, T. V. Harmon, F. C. Mow Fung, R. S. Vergette, Rev. H. Copley Moyle, Sergeant Nicholls, Rev. N. V. Halward, Mrs. L. Y. Ho and others.

The Star Ferry Co. kindly gave the party a free pass across the harbour and the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. provided free buses to convey them, whilst Messrs. W. R. Loxley & Co. donated one large case of Palmolive soap; and to these firms the Committee's thanks are due. One point that strikes a casual onlooker is why such a thing has not been thought of before, or, if thought of, not attempted. The impression which such a picnic gave to the Chinese villagers at Shek-O was very marked, and one cannot help thinking that if more of these little acts of goodwill were to be done, the friendship between Britons and Chinese would be a still more happier and more solid one.

K.C.C. CONCERT.

NEARLY 800 SERVICE MEN ENTERTAINED.

Nearly 800 Servicemen were the guests of the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday night when they were treated to a bumper concert programme, and refreshments were provided out of funds raised by a concert given at the Club the previous Saturday night. There were also quite a good number of Club members and their friends present at the concert, and all spent a gala evening.

The programme opened with a well rendered piano solo by Mr. Haughins, and from then onwards the audience was treated to a succession of good things. Songs were contributed by Mr. Bates and Mr. Mossendow, while Miss V. Capell and Mr. C. D. Lake sang a duet, "Something to say." The Charleston Dance by the Misses Violet Capell, E. Rose, P. Capell, T. Thompson and P. Gittins was the hit of the evening. Haytor and Blower, the "town's two toughest telegraphists" put something over on the audience, while the humorous side of the programme was in the capable hands of Mr. Elphick "as himself," Dick and Toi, the burlesque comedians of the City Hall fame, and Mr. Lane. A combination styling themselves "The Trio" also pleased immensely.

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SUCCESS AT LOCAL EXAMINATION.

PRASEWORTHY MOVEMENT.

An examination for the Proficiency Certificate and Bronze Medallion of the Royal Life Saving Society was held on Saturday at the swimming bath of the new St. Paul's School. The candidates were men of H.M.S. "Vindictive" trained by Marine R. E. Robinson. Eight completed the tests for both the Certificate and the Medallion, and three obtained the Certificate alone.

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The successful candidates were:—Proficiency Certificate and Bronze Medallion: L.A.C. W. B. Mawson, Stoker B. Elliott, Marine W. J. Graham, Stoker W. J. Jenkinson, Stoker W. Lloyd, Cpl. G. C. French, Stoker G. H. Russell, Stoker G. H. Gaunt; and for the Proficiency Certificate alone, Marine E. J. Wilkinson, L.A.C. W. J. Cavte, and A.C.I. W. J. Richardson. The awards are, of course, subject to confirmation and approval by the Central Executive of the Society in London.

The examination was watched with very keen interest by several students of the School, and by Dr. E. M. Minett, the Medical Officer for Schools. The candidates and the examiner would like to take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to Miss Woo, who so generously accorded them the use of the bath.

The local Examiner, Mr. F. K. Ewart, of King's College, will be very pleased to supply information to anyone interested in the aims and objects of the Royal Life Saving Society. The art of life saving forms a most interesting branch of the science of swimming, as well as being of the highest practical value: a moderate swimmer equipped with this knowledge is of far more use in an actual emergency than a very strong swimmer who lacks the knowledge of how to effect a rescue expeditiously and of how to render first-aid to the rescued.

LIQUORS ORDINANCE

DRAFT OF AN AMENDING BILL.

In the current issue of the "Government Gazette," it is notified that the Government intends to introduce a new Bill, at the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on Thursday next, for the amendment of the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance of 1911. The Bill sets out many alterations in the wording of the original Ordinance and it is explained in the Objects and Reasons that "the Ordinance is introduced because of the obscurity of a section in the principal Ordinance which is of great practical importance, i.e., section 86. Attention has been drawn to this subject by a recent case before a magistrate. The section is open to the following doubts and criticisms, which are put very shortly:—

(a) It seems to hesitate between being a substantive section and an evidence section.

(b) It is arguable that possession must first be proved by the prosecution to be "contrary to the provisions of (the) Ordinance" before the onus is thrown on the accused of proving that the duty had been paid. This reduces the section to an absurdity in the case where the only element of illegality is the non-payment of duty.

(c) The section provides that every person who, contrary to the provisions of the Ordinance, has in his possession any intoxicating liquors which have been illegally made shall be guilty of an offence, but it is not contrary to the provisions of the Ordinance to be in possession of intoxicating liquors which have been illegally made.

(4) On the other hand, it is unnecessary for the section to declare it to be an offence to be in possession of any intoxicating liquors contrary to the provisions of the Ordinance. Even if the mere prohibition were not enough section 89 makes it clear that contravention of any prohibition is an offence.

The late Mr. Archibald Alexander, H.B.M. Consul, Service China, of Faygate Wood, Sussex, and care of Gillespie and Paterson Writers, to the Signet, Myrtle Street, Edinburgh, left personal estate in Great Britain of the value of \$7,500.

ILLICIT OPIUM.

POLICEMAN CONVICTED OF SALE.

MARKED COINS CLUE.

Wong Kwok-chol, Chinese police constable C623, was on Saturday sentenced by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy to six weeks' hard labour for selling illicit non-Government opium. Accused, who was on four weeks' leave, was arrested by Senior Revenue Officer Watt at No. 41 Catchick Street, Kennedy Town, on September 7. The accused's wife was jointly charged with him, but she was discharged by Mr. Lindsell.

Mr. D. McCallum, for the defence, entered a plea of "not guilty." According to S. R. C. Watt, he had received information from three separate sources that the accused was selling non-Government opium. He accordingly arranged with an informer to purchase 20 cents of opium from the accused. Later he (the S.R.O.) raided the accused's house and seized two marked 10-cent pieces and a small quantity of illicit opium.

The informer's evidence was that he was a total stranger to the accused. He went to the house on the S.R.O.'s instruction and asked the accused for 20 cents worth of opium, and he was immediately supplied with the drug by the accused. The witness left the two marked 10-cent pieces on the accused's bed and departed.

Cross-examined by Mr. McCallum, the witness said that he handed the 20 cents to the accused who himself placed it on the bed while he was getting the opium.

For a "Patient." The accused's story was that the last witness asked him for some opium for his uncle who was ill, and he (the accused) gave him a little from his own stock. He refused payment for the drug when the latter left the money on the bed and departed with the opium. The witness told his wife to follow the boy and return the 20 cents to him. Just then the S.R.O. came and arrested them.

The wife stated that she did not

know anything about the opium. She was in another part of the house when her husband called her and told her to go down stairs after the boy and return 20 cents to him. The witness was about to carry out this instruction and actually had the 20 cents in her hand when Mr. Watt entered the house.

The Magistrate said with regard to the woman, that she would come under the coercion provisions of the law. She was doubtless under the influence of her husband, therefore she was entitled to be discharged.

Replying to Mr. McCallum, his Worship said that he was satisfied from the evidence for the prosecution that the male accused had made a sale of illicit opium to the boy. Mr. McCallum reminded the Magistrate that there was no evidence of the accused having in his possession the large quantity of opium one usually expected to find in the house of an opium dealer. The opium found was a very small quantity, and also there were no scales found on the premises. He understood that scales were an essential instrument to one dealing in opium, and a pair were usually produced in such cases. Counsel asked his Worship to give careful consideration to the point that there was considerable doubt, on the evidence, as to whether or not there had in fact been a sale.

A Policeman's Lot. There was no doubt, added Mr. McCallum, that the accused smoked illicit opium, but accused was not charged with that. Being a policeman, the accused was naturally disliked by all, and of course, everyone was out to "get" him. Information that the accused had illicit opium in his possession was soon started and it rapidly spread around, then other rumours followed and eventually the matter came to the ears of the S.R.O., who took steps which led to the accused's arrest. Mr. Watt, counsel reminded his Worship, had himself stated that he had received information from three different sources before he decided to act. The accused was suffering because his only fault was that he was too obliging.

The Magistrate decided to convict.

The police produced the record of a previous conviction. Mr. McCallum said that the conviction, which was in 1913, was for a minor offence, and it was very regrettable that the police should put it in. Remarking that the accused's record in the Police Force was not a particularly bright one, Mr. Lindsell passed sentence as stated above.



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Tea-Clipper Records.

One of the oldest British vessels now afloat is the thirty-two-ton ketch "Ceres," owned by Mr. W. W. Petherick, of Bude. She was built at Salcombe in 1811. The "Three Sisters," built 128 years ago, foundered in 1921, off the Longships.

The "Jane," a forty-ton ketch that is still at work on the Avon, did good service in the Great War, though she was then 113 years old.

The "Bee," which until recently carried cargo between Newport, Isle of Wight, and Southampton, was built in 1801, and crossed the Solent 40,000 times before she was filled with cement and sunk as a breakwater in the Medina River. From her decks the crew saw the "Victory" put to sea, with Nelson in command.

The old "Cutty Sark," which is now a training-ship at Falmouth, was the fastest ship in the world nearly sixty years ago. It was thought, not long back, that an attempt would be made with her to break the sailing record to Australia.

A race of thirteen windjammers from Australia to the British Isles was actually held this year between nine Finnish, three German, and one Swedish vessel. The winner, a Finnish four-master, made the passage in eighty-eight days, but the record was set in 1851 when the "Marco Polo" accomplished the Liverpool-Melbourne trip in twenty days less.

The "Cutty Sark" was one of the racing tea-clippers, fashioned with a sharp "clipper" or wedge-shaped bow, that cleft the waves instead of merely hitting them like the round bows of the slower ships.

These tea-clippers fairly flew home from China with their cargoes, the crews straining every nerve to outpace their rivals, for the ship that brought the first of the new season's crop to England was worth a fortune to her owner. The "Cutty Sark" in the run from Shanghai in 1870, broke all records, after losing her rudder in a terrific storm.

That fine old saller, the "Antiope," now a coal hulk on the South African coast, is over sixty years old. Built at Port Glasgow, the 1,600-ton barque was called the "Anti-Hope" by pessimists who thought she would not complete one voyage. The "Antiope," however, traded for years between Britain and Russia. She was captured during the Russo-Japanese War and sold to a British Columbian shipowner for the timber trade. Later she was sold to a New Zealand firm as a coal hulk.

When the Great War broke out, the old "Antiope" was "called up," re-rigged and refitted, to render valiant service for three years. She went ashore in Bluff Harbour, New Zealand, and after she had lain nearly swash for three months, was patched up and sent as a coaler to South Africa.

Nelson's two-decker flagship, the "Foudroyant," was actually sold to a German shipbreaker in 1892, and towed to the Baltic to be broken up, but two patriotic Englishmen brought her back and fitted her up at Blackpool as a Nelson museum.

Toiling round the British coast, there is a sixty-year-old barge, which was once the home of a king and one of the swiftest, most gorgeously appointed vessels afloat. The yacht "Denton," as she was then called, was specially built in England for the Khedive of Egypt. The potentate eventually tired of the "Denton," and in 1879 Mr. W. H. Vanderbilt purchased the yacht to transport a great obelisk from Egypt to New York.

In order to get the huge 196-ton monument aboard, a large hole had to be cut in the vessel's bows. The "Denton" carried her strange cargo safely to New York; but before the big stone could be taken out she had to be cut up again. Thus disfigured, she was sold, and so by a shuffle of fate did a king's sea castle become a grimy coaster.

When the old "Tweed" was demolished, her frames and timbers were embodied in the roof of a church at Port Elizabeth, where they still render good service.

Built of Greenock, the iron ship "Tusitula" is still in commission and recently left New York for Honolulu. Most of the square-riggers at sea to-day are iron-built, and bear no true relationship to the wooden clipper except in traditional rig, for iron fouls so quickly that they cannot maintain the speed of the old copper-sheathed wooden vessels.

The sister ships, "Mount Stewart" and "Cromdale," were the last to be built for the Australian wool trade, and the commander of the former, Captain McColl, remained in his vessel for seventeen years, accompanied most of the time by his wife and sons. The sailmaker was in her for sixteen years and the cook for eleven.

Some of the wonderful sailing ships appear to grow younger with advancing years. The "Arita," broken up a short time ago at Tenerife, was built in 1648, and bore the brunt of numberless storms for three and a half centuries.

The age of the "Betsy Cairns," wrecked at Tynemouth, can only be conjectured, but it was on this ship, in 1888, that William, Prince of Orange, came over to England. The "Princess Mary," as she was then called, was used for years by Queen Anne as a royal yacht.

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LOCAL SHIPPING.

TODAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

"Achilles" (7,199) British, from Milke, B. & S.—97 passengers, 2,735 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Lai Sang" (2,225) British, from Singapore, Jardine's—825 passengers, 1,297 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,547 tons general (through).

"Empress of Asia" (8,883) British, from Manila, C.P.R.—182 passengers, 2½ tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 928½ tons general (through).

"Alpore" (3,241) British, from Bombay, Singapore, Mackinnon Mackenzie—420 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,200 tons general (through).

"West Cadron" (3,564) American, from Portland, Manila, Col. Pacific S.S. Co.—255 tons sugar and hemp for Hong Kong, 2,569 tons sugar and hemp (through).

"Pres. Grant" (3,405) American, from Manila, Dollar—489 passengers, 572 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,006 tons general (through).

"Tijmanhoek" (5,510) Dutch, from Amoy, J.C.J.L.—395 passengers, 589 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,009 tons general (through).

"Gorontalo" (3,738) Dutch, from Panarochan, J.C.J.L.—3,470 tons sugar for Hong Kong, 4,860 tons sugar (through).

"Helikon" (1,230) Norwegian, from Bangkok, Holthow, Thoresen & Co.—14 passengers, 2,235 tons rice for Hong Kong.

"Amur Maru" (4,823) Japanese, from Hamburg, Singapore, O.S.K.—519 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 6,887 tons general (through).

"Menado Maru" (1,284) Japanese, from Haiphong, Holthow, O.S.K.—252 passengers, 1,745 tons rice and general cargo for Hong Kong, 13 tons rice and general (through).

"Tazema" (402) Chinese, from Kwong Chow Wan, Wing Hung Co.—80 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Poo Sang" (729) Chinese, from Kwong Chow Wan, 400 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

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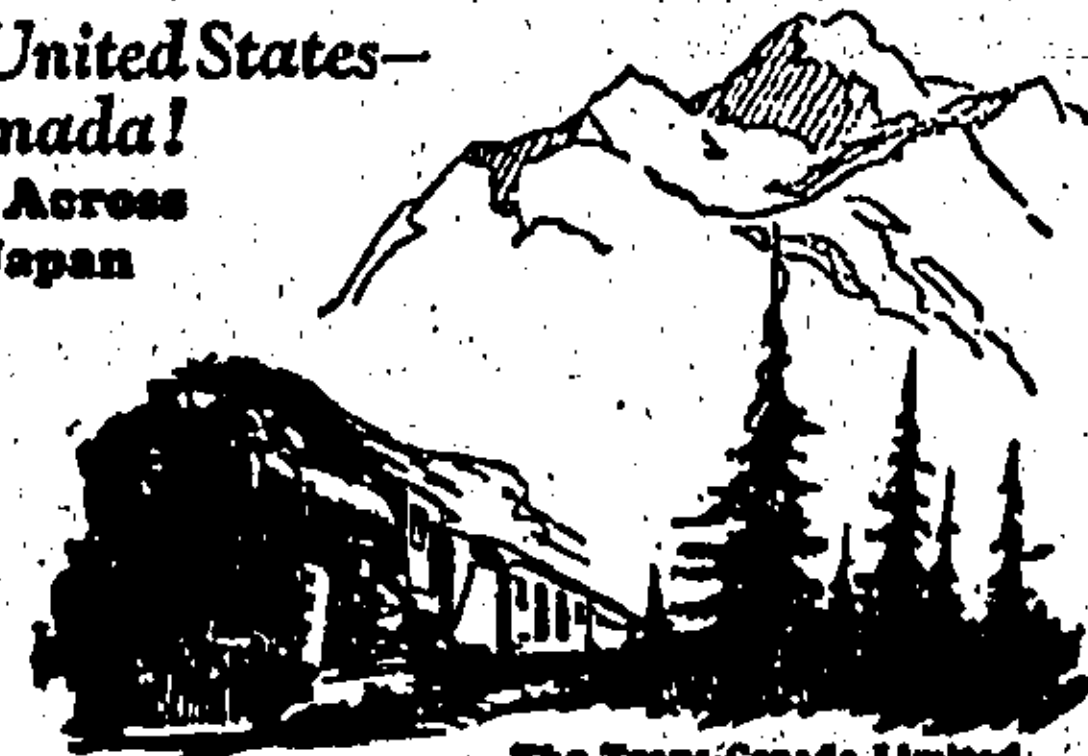
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ALIPORE	5,273	6th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
NYANZA	7,023	12th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,385	15th Oct.	Marseilles & London
NAGPORE	5,283	20th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & London
KASHMIR	8,085	29th Oct.	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	11,120	12th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MONGOLIA	16,504	26th Nov.	Marseilles & London
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ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Sept.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
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ALIPORE	5,273	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TAKLIWA	7,936	16th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,385	16th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
NYANZA	7,023	22nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
LAHORE	5,283	27th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,085	30th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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FIRE ON SHIPS.

"SHASHI" AND "COCKCHAFFER"
VICTIMS.The "C. C. Post" (Hankow)
of September 1 reports:—

The s.s. "Shashi" arrived in port yesterday and reports, as we feared, having been made a target by southern soldiers below Wuhu. The firing commenced thirteen miles above Nanking at a place called Hehshansan Bluff and continued from 2.30 till the steamer arrived in Wuhu at four o'clock. The rifle fire was of the same concentrated character as favoured the "Kutwo" and "Slangwo" but fortunately no one was wounded. From Wuhu the firing again continued against the vessel as she left the port. The whole outrage was obviously deliberate. Reports received also state that the H.M.S. "Cockchafer" was subjected to heavy fire, not only from rifles but from artillery. One shell entered the engine room of the gunboat and exploded. It slightly wounded one of the complement on duty but did not damage the machinery. The "Cockchafer" is believed to have returned an appropriate reply.

TOURISTS MOVING.

TIDE AGAIN SETS FOR
CHINA.

The effect of civil war in China on passenger traffic to the Orient has ceased and many bookings now are being made, according to San Francisco shipping agents.

The exodus of missionaries and tourists from interior points in China to the port cities, and thence to the United States, has ended and scores of missionaries, tourists and other travellers are booking passages for Chinese ports.

"It is true that the disturbances in China had an adverse effect on the entire tourist traffic to the Orient," E. G. White, passenger agent of the N.Y.K. line, said. "Alarming reports prevented many people from going to Shanghai, or caused them to delay their sailings. These people now are booking passage and we look for a good fall business. Trans-Pacific travel on the whole is in a healthy condition and we are optimistic about the future."

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived by the s.s. "Empress of Asia" from Manila to-day were:—

Mr. and Mrs. G. Boulton, Mr. A. Craig, Lt. and Mrs. M. F. Grant, Mr. E. Metate, Mrs. W. L. Marshall, Mrs. F. W. Shaden, Miss E. W. Shaden, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Sutton, Miss H. Sutton, Mr. T. A. D'O'Aplon, Dr. C. J. Best, Messrs. E. G. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hawkins, Miss I. Hawkins, Master H. J. Hawkins, Master E. B. Hawkins, Mr. A. Takamiya, Miss E. M. Royer, Miss M. Church, Miss L. A. Clement, Miss S. Punderburke, Miss E. R. Hobart, Miss Hobart, Mr. and Mrs. K. G. Hobart, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoffmann, Mr. V. T. Manns, Mrs. D. Page, Mrs. F. Pike, Mr. A. C. Rayes, Miss M. C. Bassalles, Miss L. Witham, Mr. C. C. Crier, Mrs. V. Dyson, Miss C. Dyson, Mrs. L. A. Sly, Mr. S. L. Frost, Miss L. M. Griffin, Miss A. M. Ciffin, Mr. F. Ciffie, Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Hagman, Miss L. and Mrs. Hagman, Rev. and Mrs. Bishop D. T. Huntington, Miss J. T. Huntington, Miss M. G. Huntington, Master J. T. Huntington, Mr. B. C. Sado, Miss R. C. Sado, and Mr. W. A. Sims.

DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed from Hong Kong on Saturday per s.s. "Kamo Maru" for Europe via Ports:—

Miss A. J. Riley, Messrs. J. G. Campbell, E. D. Davis, L. A. Macfarlane, G. H. Bridges, Capt. S. Namba, Colonel G. Katch, Lieut.-Col. K. Anami, Mr. and Mrs. H. Pamphill, Dr. D. H. Balfour, Mr. H. Cohen, Mrs. E. Minster, Messrs. A. Delruelle, C. E. Stuart, Miss E. Adaire, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Riley, Sur-Colonel T. Kajili, Major A. Yamamoto, Mrs. J. E. E. Packard, Mr. and Mrs. S. Caceffe, Messrs. K. K. O'Connor, F. Struham, R. T. Show, Miss Cunningham, Messrs. C. V. Hay, P. L. Smith, I. Pederson, S. Baldwin, K. W. Birkins, W. Tallors, and W. H. Rutledge.

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Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	LAISANG	Wed., 14th Sept., at 7 a.m.
Tian via Swatow & S'hai	KWONGSANG	Wed., 14th Sept., at 10 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	NAMSANG	Wed., 14th Sept., at 3 p.m.
Canton	CHEONGSHING	Fri., 16th Sept., at 9 a.m.
Tian via Swatow & S'hai	HANGSANG	Sun., 18th Sept., at 10 a.m.
Tientsin	CHEONGSHING	Tues., 20th Sept., at 5 p.m.
Tian via Swatow & S'hai	YATSHING	Wed., 21st Sept., at 10 a.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Sat., 24th Sept., at 3 p.m.
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MARINE COURT.

For failing to produce certificates of competency, the master and engineer of the motor boat "Semi Maru" were fined \$10 at the Marine Court this morning.

For failing to produce a licence, the master of the water boat "Sze Wo" was fined \$5.

The mistress of a junk was fined \$16 for anchoring in the central fairway.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" from Hong Kong arrived in London on September 10, at 8 a.m.

The s.s. "Pres. Grant" of the American Mail Line will sail for San Francisco and Los Angeles via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu to-night at midnight, instead of to-morrow, as previously notified.

The s.s. "Pres. Lincoln" of the Dollar Steamship Line will arrive from San Francisco and Los Angeles via Honolulu, Japan Ports and Shanghai this afternoon and will sail for Manila to-morrow at 6 p.m.

The s.s. "Pres. Harrison" of the Dollar Steamship Line arrived from the United States this morning and will continue her voyage around the world, making the following ports of call en route:—Manila, Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Naples, Genoa and Marseilles. From Marseilles the s.s. "Pres. Harrison" will continue to Boston and New York and from there to Havana, Cristobal, Balboa, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Honolulu, Kobe and Shanghai and thence to Hong Kong.

The M.V. "Esquilino (D. & Co.) from Brindisi, is expected in Hong Kong to-morrow.

The s.s. "Takliwa" left Singapore for this port on September 9 at p.m., and is due here on September 14 at a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 9 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on September 16 at about 10 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benavon" from Leith, Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits, is due to arrive here on September 14.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama, at noon on September 14.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai on September 1, and is due here on September 19.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Yokohama on September 2 at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on September 19.

The M.V. s.s. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on September 2, and is due here on or about October 12.

The M.V. s.s. "Romolo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Suez on October 6, and is expected here on October 13.

The s.s. "Kendal Castle" (Doddwell & Co., Ltd.) sailed from New York on September 20, and is expected here on October 14.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected to arrive in Hong Kong:—
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Pres. Polk Nov. 22nd 6 a.m.

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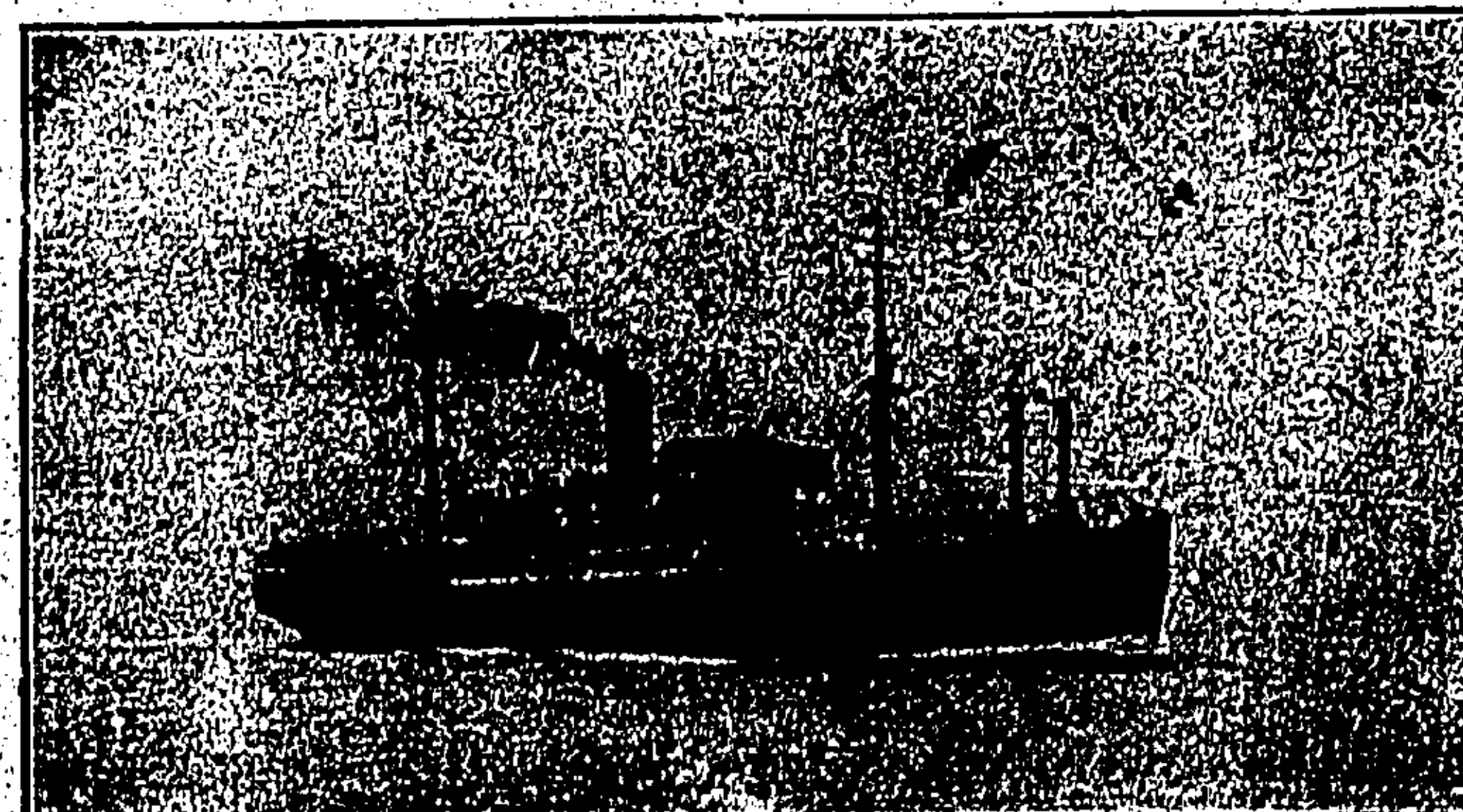
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MEMORIAL MEETING.

A Memorial Meeting of the late Mr. O'Yauheung will be held on Sunday, September 18, 1927, at 3 p.m. sharp in the Hong Kong University Union. Relatives and Friends are kindly requested to attend. Flower-wreaths and Memorial scrolls should be sent to the Clerk, Hong Kong University Union, NOT later than three hours before the Commencement of the Meeting.

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LIQUOR LAWS.

The essence of legislation is simplicity. Unfortunately so many laws are full of ambiguity that they make traps for the unwary and multiply litigation. The object of many framers of Bills appears to be to confuse experts and laymen alike. The intention may be clear to their own minds, but practical tests in Courts of law leave even Judges wondering what that intention exactly was. To clothe a Bill with technical language may be clever, but its usual effect is to bewilder and embarrass those who have to interpret it and those who have to administer it. The verdict of the man in the street is that "the law is a hass," but it would be much less of "a hass" if there were less aspiring for grandiloquent language and more concentration on plain and simple English. Moreover, if "the law is a hass" that cannot be placed to the debit of either Bench or Bar but to those charged with the responsibility for framing the hundred and one Bills that find their place on the Statute-book as Ordinances or Acts.

It is not to be supposed that many of our readers will peruse carefully the proposed draft of a Bill to amend the Liquors Ordinance of 1911 that has been reproduced in the Press from the "Government Gazette." And yet its main object is to remedy an obscurity of a section in the principal Ordinance to which attention has been drawn by a recent case before a Magistrate. This section, we are told, is open to "doubts and criticisms." It seems to hesitate between a substantive section and an evidence section. It is arguable that possession of dutiable liquor must first be proved by the prosecution to be "contrary to the provisions of the Ordinance" before the onus is thrown on the accused of proving that the duty has been paid. This, it is rightly pointed out, reduces the section to an absurdity in the case where the only element of illegality is the non-payment of duty. In the proposed new section it is to be presumed, in any charge of possession of dutiable liquors, that these were dutiable, i.e.—that the duty had not been paid, but the defendant can avoid liability by proving either (I) that the duty had in fact been paid, or (II) that he had good and sufficient reason to believe that the duty had been paid. It is stated, and not without reason, that it is peculiarly difficult for the prosecution to prove in any case that the duty has not been paid. But it is easy for the defendant to discharge the onus. If duty has been paid there should be no difficulty in proving that fact, but it is sufficient for him to submit proof beyond a reasonable doubt that he had good and sufficient reason to believe that it had been paid.

The draft of the amending Bill exposes another weakness in the original Ordinance inasmuch as it was made an offence for the licensee of a licensed warehouse to keep dutiable liquors on his licensed premises. An anomaly of this kind, of course, must be removed. It is passing strange that it has not been discovered in the interval between 1911 and 1927. It is little cause for wonder that even a layman can at times boast that he can "run a horse and cart through an Act of Parliament." Nor is it surprising that litigation generally should be so confusing and so protracted looking to the senseless and obscure wording of the provisions in many existing Ordinances. The point is of interest to the general community only in so far as it affects their pocket in "fighting a case," but even so, the wrong interpretation of an ambiguous or misleading section of an Ordinance

may often damn a man's whole character and reputation. Hence our appeal for greater simplicity of language in the framing of our legislation.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE R.S.P.C.A.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")
Sir,—The following paragraph was culled from Friday evening's "China Mail":—

"For having stripped frogs while they were still alive, Wong Ling-yui was fined \$2 in the Provisional Court, the money to go to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," says the "N.C. Daily News."

The italics are mine, Mr. Editor. Now, in view of the excellent work the local Society is doing, is it too much to suggest that our City Fathers follow the example of the Northern Settlement and direct that fines imposed in our Police Courts in "cruelty" cases—if not all, at least those brought by S.P.C.A. Inspectors—should go to the funds of the Society?

Surely, the amount of such fines collected during one year would not equal half the annual gasoline bill for the "Dog Catchers" motor cycles; and if money can be officially spent for the destruction of animals (I am not concerned as to whether it is necessary or otherwise), why cannot a few dollars be placed on the other side of the balance to protect dumb animals from unnecessary sufferings at the hands of ignorant coolies?

While the money is not likely greatly to affect the Government Budget, it should be a useful addition to the funds of a deserving Society, which, I understand, is not subsidised, but depends entirely on public contributions.

Yours, etc.,

BULLDOG.

Hong Kong, September 10.

U.S. AND FRANCE.

NEW TRADE TREATY SUGGESTED.

Washington, Yesterday.
As a result of the situation created by the application of the new French Tariff Schedules, the State Department has authorised the American Embassy in Paris to open negotiations for a new Commercial Treaty with France immediately instead of waiting until October 1, as originally planned.—Reuter's American Service.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

YOKOHAMA BANK'S DIVIDEND.

The local office of the Yokohama Specie Bank Ltd. in receipt of a cablegram from the Head Office to the effect that at the 95th half-yearly ordinary general meeting of the shareholders held at the head office at Yokohama on the 10th instant, a net profit of Yen 25,179,045.45 including Yen 6,142,357.99 carried over from last account was shown. It was resolved to pay a dividend of 10% p.a. (absorbing Yen 5,000,000-) for the half-year ended June 30, 1927, to add to the Reserve Fund Yen 4,000,000, and to carry forward Yen 6,179,045.45 to the next account.

FAIR WEATHER.

North-east or variable winds, moderate; fair, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow. The Loochoos depression is now central to the N.W. of Oshima. Anticyclones are situated over Manchuria and to the east of the Bonins.

The anticyclone over China has weakened. Pressure is relatively low over the China Sea.

RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following quotations on rubber shares:—
Allenbys \$ 2.75
Ayer Moleks 2.10
Glennalls 2.80
Jimahs 2.30
Malaka Pindas 2.15
Pajamas 2.55

Arrested for violation of the liquor law, W. H. Bridwell was haled into court and fined \$100. He paid it, found himself broke and wired his wife for money for railroad fare home. Her answer from their Georgia home was: "Walk, and when you get tired, run." Bridwell started walking.

FALLEN STARS.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK AND EUGENE CHEN.

Not for a long time has anything so unexpected taken place in the ever-changing kaleidoscope of China as the resignations in the same week of Chiang Kai-shek and Eugene Chen, the former from the post of Commander-in-Chief of the Nanking armies and the latter from that of Foreign Minister to the Hankow Government. As to Chiang, his military situation began to be really desperate a little over a week ago, but as he had a command of funds unequalled by any other Chinese General, it was felt he might contrive to escape complete disaster in the usual Chinese way. The messages, however, tell the old tale—internal dissension, disgruntled commanders, unpopularity on account of methods instituted to extort money from the people—and further, he was bluntly told that so long as he continued to occupy the post of generalissimo the hope of reuniting the party he had been the means of splitting could not be realised. He was offered a subordinate command, but having already lined his pockets and secured sufficient well-paid protection, he promptly declined what amounted to "the order of the boot" and "voluntarily retired into private life." He has not quitted Nanking alone. While the Nanking Government continues to function through such Ministries as are left and a chairmanless Military Council, many personal followers of Chiang have had to make themselves scarce, especially the group designated the "Shanghai Tammany," whose chief function was the kidnapping of wealthy Chinese for ransom on the plea of suppressing Communism. The belief that, as a consequence of the heavy defeats of the Nationalist forces, the party was likely to break up is now modified. The party, it is now thought, may have a new lease of life, as the Nanking Nationalists will probably ally themselves with the Hankow Nationalists, and speculation in regard to a possible rapprochement is brisk. The supposition is that Wuhan demanded the retirement of Chiang Kai-shek and Nanking the retirement of Tang Sheng-chih, both being accused of usurping military power contrary to the policy of the Kuomintang. As matters rest for the present Chiang is out but Tang remains. So far only one side of the bargain has been carried out. The power behind Tang in Hankow enabled him to get rid of the troublesome Chen and there is no saying what the wordy politicians of Nanking will have to put up with should he go to Nanking. Tang usurped many of the functions of the Civil Government at Hankow, and the fall of the once prominent Sino-Japanese barrister, Eugene Chen, is said to have been the outcome of a quarrel over Tang's aspirations to becoming more or less a dictator. Although Chen posed as a moderate in the counsels of Hankow, the negotiations with Mr. O'Malley after the attack on the British Concession, plainly revealed him as a puppet of Borodin. Immediately Borodin went Chen's influence waned. His elimination, coupled with that of General Galen, the Russian military adviser, marks a fresh and serious setback to Moscow's influence in China. On the other hand, there is Feng, the "Christian" General, now a Marshal, with a Foreign Minister of his own and Borodin at his elbow, watching events closely and ready to profit therefrom at the first opportunity. Already there is some talk of the Nanking and Hankow factions holding a joint sitting under the wing of Feng at Kaifeng. If both the Governments were determined to thrash out their differences a settlement would have an important bearing upon the situation. Feng, however, would have to conform or find himself isolated between a united Kuomintang and a bitterly hostile North; and it is doubtful if he is yet prepared to commit himself to either course. The Fengling correspondent of "The Times" has reminded the public that Feng is "elusive" and, indeed, that he is "the greatest opportunist in all Chinese history," which is saying a good deal. All that he has done of late tends to confirm this appreciation.—"China Express" and "Telegraph."

PIRAPS-PIRAP NOT!

A little more Brawn would strengthen the lawn bowls trial teams on Saturday.

A small boy had just been vaccinated; and the doctor prepared to bandage the sore arm when the youngster said: "Put it on the other arm, doctor."

"Why, no," said the physician: "I want to put it on your sore arm; so the boys at school won't hit you on it."

"Then put it on the other, please. You don't know the boys at our school."

Friend (to farmer): What became of that hand you got from the city?

Farmer: Well, he used to be a chauffeur, and the idiot crawled under a horse to see why it wouldn't go.

Old Gent: Don't cry, little boy, I'm not hurt.

Little Boy: No, but it was my banana you trod on!

Little Johnnie: We've got a proper mayor in our town.

Little Jimmie: So have we.

Little Johnnie: But ours has a collar and chain. Has yours?

Little Jimmie: No, we let him go about loose.

Sensitive Golfer (who has footled): Did you laugh at me, boy?

Caddie: No, sir; I was laughing at another man.

Sensitive Golfer: And what's funny about him?

Caddie: Well, he plays golf awful like you, sir!

Disgruntled supporter (whose team has been beaten) to referee: Where's yer dog, mister?

Referee: Dog? Why should I have a dog?

Supporter: Well, most blind men 'ave dogs, don't they?

"Tommy, who taught you that dreadful word?"

"Santa Claus, mummy."

"Nonsense!"

"Yes, he did, when he fell over a chair in my room on Christmas Eve."

Cottager (to husband): "Reuben, the gen'lman wants a noo laid egg to 'is tea. I'll slip round to the stores while you go in the yard and cluck."

Sailor's Wife: So you expect to be back in three years' time?

Sailor: Aye, Mary, that I do.

Sailor's Wife: If you are later, don't you come home with any of your excuses about the ship breaking down and you having to walk home.

Stingy Player (in billiard-room): These cues want tipping badly.

Attendant: Yes, sir; I know just how they feel.

Disgusted Tramp (caught in wire fence): Why can't some fellow invent a blinking wire-less fence?

Old Lady: How do you like school, my little man?

The Little Man: I like it closed.

Teacher: Now, Tommy, what is a bison?

Cockney Tommy: Please miss, it's a thing that mother mixes the puddin' in.

Boss: The city girl beat your Liza in that race, Jacky.

Jack: Not fair, boss; she wear high-heeled shoes; run down hill all blanky time.

Johnnie, aged six, had his first day at school, and his father asked his young offspring how he got on.

"Well," replied Johnnie; "I got the cane for telling you pinched Tommy Smith."

When Tommy arrived home it was easy to see he had been fighting.

"Fighting again?" said his mother.

"No," Tommy answered, "I was sitting on Jimmy Smith, and I forgot to hold his feet."

Movie Director (discovering the dummy): My heavens! What was it we threw over the cliffs?

Critic: You have made your hero too hot-headed, I'm afraid.

Budding Author: How do you mean?

Critic: Well, he has a lantern jaw, to begin with; his whole face lit up! His cheeks flamed!

His eyes gave a burning glance, and then, blaking with wrath and boiling with rage, he administered a scorching rebuke!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1927.

WORLD FLIGHT.

"PRIDE OF DETROIT" IN JAPAN.

Shanghai, Yesterday. The "Pride of Detroit" left for Tokyo at 5.45 a.m.

Detroit, Saturday. Mrs. Schlee, whose husband is accompanying Brock in "Pride of Detroit," has cabled him at Tokyo, saying that while she does not attempt to dissuade him from carrying out the projected trans-Pacific flight, nevertheless she hopes he will be "quite sensible and take the Vancouver boat."

Tokyo, Yesterday. The "Pride of Detroit" was forced to land at Omura near Nagasaki at 5.45 this afternoon owing to an insufficiency of gasoline due to taking the wrong course. The airman expect to reach Tokyo tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

Off To Kasumigaura.

Tokyo, To-day. The "Pride of Detroit" hopped off from Omura to Kasumigaura at 7.20 this morning.—Reuter.

Forced To Return.

Shanghai, To-day. A Tokyo message says that the "Pride of Detroit" was forced to return to Omura owing to a storm.—Reuter.

Abandoned?

London, Sunday. The "Westminster Gazette" has telegraphed to Courtney that it will not continue to support any trans-Atlantic attempt this year. The newspaper announces that the flight may therefore be considered abandoned.—Reuter.

Frenchman to Try.

Paris, Sunday. In spite of growing public opinion against Atlantic flights the French airman Costes has sent a letter to "L'Intransigeant" stating that he is determined to start, accompanied by Le Brix, when weather permits. He declares that the trans-Atlantic is no more hazardous than any other long distance flight. He adds: "We are ready to take all responsibilities, and even to risk our lives. It is up to France to return Lindbergh's visit."—Reuter.

Levine's Try Off.

Levine in a message to Reuter thought that his flight to America was "off" for this year, but, he added, "I will do it next year for sure. I reckon I will have a more powerful plane built, probably a multi-engine seaplane."—Reuter.

Soviet Flight.

Tokyo, Yesterday. The Soviet "Plane" hopped off from Tachikawa homeward via Osaka this morning.—Reuter.

Czech Flight.

Shanghai To-day. A message from Tokyo says the Czech-Slovakian aviator, Colonel Skala, hopped off for Prague at 9.10 this morning and expects to stop over at Peking.—Reuter.

FOKKER'S PREDICTION.

America and Europe Linked Within Five Years.

New York City, Aug. 30. Flights of recent trans-Atlantic aviators mean that Europe and the United States will be connected by air within five years, Anthony Fokker, well-known aeroplane designer, told the United Press in an interview. "All that is needed is organization," Fokker declared. "By this I mean establishment of air routes, communications and weather stations at key points. As Commander Byrd recently suggested, the trans-Atlantic aeroplanes should be scientifically explored and charted. We will need meteorological bureaus in Newfoundland and Ireland, for instance."

Fokker sees recent flights across the Atlantic as significant chiefly as good advertising for aviation, but feels many of the feats have been in the nature of "stunts" which aroused the imagination of the world but are only preliminary to soundly organized long-distance flying. "When weather stations on the coast are operating and the Atlantic becomes only a lake so far as communications are concerned, then we will be ready to run a trans-ocean air service on an efficient and safe basis," continued Fokker. "Within five years planes will be able to go from New York to Paris regularly within thirty-six hours."

Planes utilised in this service would be of the multi-coloured type, carrying five motors, according to Fokker. Two of these would be for emergency. The planes could carry twenty-four passengers and be operated by a crew of only three men—two pilots and a navigator.—United Press.

Mexican Aviator's Difficult Stunt. Juarez, Mexico, Sept. 2. Lieutenant Emilio Zarriz, flying a Mexican aeroplane, arrived here to-day after a non-stop flight of 1,222 miles from Mexico City. His feat was hazardous in the extreme, being attended with

CHINESE CHAOS.

IMPOSSIBILITY OF BRITAIN ACTING ALONE.

The Nationalist movement in China, writes Mr. H. W. Looker, M.P., to the "Morning Post," seems to be breaking up on the rocks of its own incompetence and the quarrels and self-seeking motives of its various leaders. The casting off of its Russian advisers, which really seems to have taken place, has deprived it of the only real ability and driving force it possessed, and the process of disintegration has consequently set in.

If a new Chinese Gordon were to bring China back to a normal state into whose hands when his task was completed? Even if it were possible to hope that such an authority would emerge from a successful result of his efforts there would be still the international situation to be reckoned with. This presents far more dangerous and delicate issues than existed in Gordon's day.

America and Japan have now far-reaching and vital interests in China which did not exist before. They would not be likely to acquiesce for a moment in the possibilities of advantage to us, and of detriment for themselves, which would result from the pacification and settlement of the country through the agency of a British Commander-in-Chief.

The ingrained trading instincts of the Chinese people, the necessity for revenue which can only be produced by trade, the advantage of peaceful conditions for the profit they ensure, must in the end surely prevail where it is not possible to see that anything else will.

It is not so important that a settled Government should exist as that settled conditions should exist, and conditions more or less settled are all that can be hoped for in the immediate future.

great danger because it lay across desolate and arid country where to be forced down would entail hardship and possible death.—United Press.

Coolidge Sees "Lindy." Rapid City, South Dakota, Sept. 2.

Flying his famed monoplane "Spirit of St. Louis" in which he crossed the Atlantic, Charles Lindbergh to-day flew over here and performed stunts while President Coolidge watched below.

Lindbergh, who has extraordinary daring and coolness as a stunt flier, went through his whole repertoire of loops, dives, spins and other evolutions. It was an excellent opportunity for the Chief Executive to judge as to the qualities of the plane which leaped to world attention in a day. After leaving Rapid City, Lindbergh proceeded on a journey without landing.

Lindbergh is conducting an air tour throughout the United States to stimulate interest in commercial aviation.—United Press.

Gallarza Back in Spain. Madrid, Sept. 2.

Captain Gallarza to-day returned here after a trip abroad to study the technique of a round-the-world flight which he intends to make.

While in London he made special examination of air-cooled motors, but is still undecided whether to use air or water cooling.—United Press.

Aviator Burns. Honolulu, Sept. 2.

Captain John S. Singer was burned to death to-day when his aeroplane crashed after striking high tension wires near Wahiawa.—Associated Press.

Fles for Movies.

Hollywood, Cal., Sept. 1. Louis Mayer, "movie" magnate, to-day announced that Martin Jensen of Honolulu, the pilot who took second money in the Pole Contest flight, had accepted a cable offer to pilot a plane carrying the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer flying lion "Leo" on a non-stop transcontinental begin in New York City.—United Press.

Goebel Is Welcomed.

San Francisco, Aug. 31. Mayor James Rolph to-day welcomed back Arthur Goebel of Santa Monica, winner of the Dole Contest prize of \$25,000 for being first to land in Honolulu, August 17 on a non-stop flight from Oakland Airport, Lieutenant William Davis, his navigator, accompanied him on his return to California aboard the Matson liner "Manoa."

Goebel and Davis were taken to a San Francisco hotel. Later in the day they will be escorted to the lobby of the city hall, where Mayor Rolph and other city officials will give them an official welcome.

The official greeting will be without ostentation or display, however, and the entire affair is deeply touched with sadness because of the many tragic features connected with the Dole contest.—United Press.

PEKING NEWS.

THE CHINESE POLITICAL SITUATION.

Peking, August 19. Tupan Chang of Shantung, in reply to the Dictator's telegram concerning the convocation of a special conference for the discussion of the Chinese general situation after the retirement of Chiang Kai-shek, says that owing to the pressure of military affairs, he is not able to come to the capital just now. According to Tupan Chang, as the military situation on both the Tsin-Pu and the Lung-Hai Railways are turning in favor of the northerners, there is no necessity for any conference at the present moment. Regarding the military conditions at the two fronts, the reported capture of Pukow by Sun Chuan-fang's troops has not been officially confirmed as yet, not to mention the occupation of Nanking while on the Lung-Hai Line, the Ankuochun forces under the command of General Chu Yu-pu have occupied Kuichih, on the Shantung-Hopei borders and they are still advancing in the direction of Kaifeng and Chengchow. This success of the northerners has been confirmed by a telegram from Feng Yu-shiang to Tang Sheng-chih, reporting the "slight" reverses suffered by his forces on the Shantung frontier and he is concentrating 30,000 Kuomintang troops in the vicinity of Kuichih under the command of Lu Chung-in for attacking the Shantungites. This message was intercepted by the Chinese wireless station yesterday.

Nanking Representatives in Peking.

Generals Ho Cheng-chun and Fang Peng-jin, delegates of the Nanking Government to Shansi, arrived in Peking from Talyuanfu yesterday en route for the south. In view of the recent developments unfavorable to the Cantonese, it is reported that the Ankuochun leaders will not discuss further peace terms with them. General Fang is leaving here shortly for Shanghai; but General Ho will remain in Peking on account of "illness."

Nanking Army.

Telegrams from a foreign source arriving here state that the Southerners now have a total army of no less than 120,000 men in and around Nanking but they add that the General Staff is not very enthusiastic regarding the fighting possibilities of this force. Many appear to be disinclined to fight.

Meanwhile foreign telegrams from Shanghai state that numbers of Nationalist troops are withdrawing in that direction and the foreign authorities there are preparing for a similar state of affairs such as existed when the Nationalists arrived on the outskirts of the city last March.

In view of the situation in Nanking the Maritime Customs staff has established itself on a steam launch moored to the South bank of the Yangtze.

Long Distance Phone.

Mukden and Soviet authorities have concluded agreements for installing long distance telephone services between Harbin and Chita and Harbin and Vladivostok. The total cost is estimated at \$1,500,000, which will be borne equally by the Russian and Mukden authorities.—"C. C. Post."

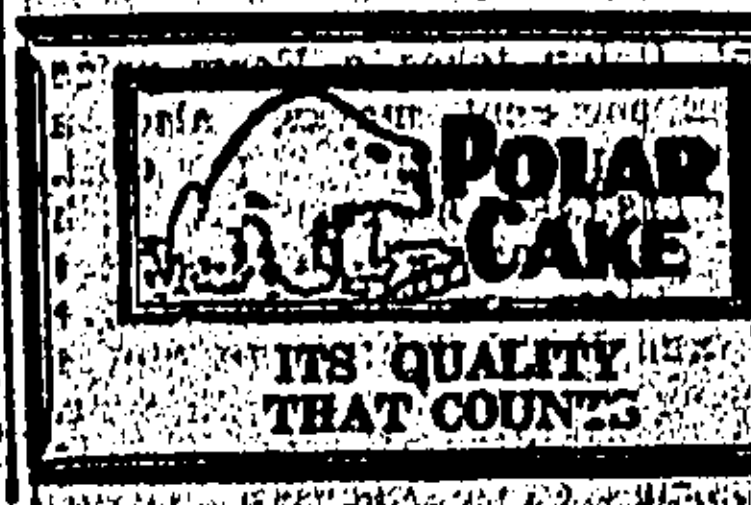
NEW ROADS.

JOIN FRENCH INDO-CHINA AND SIAM.

According to information received by the American Express Travel Department, Manila, from the Royal State Highway department of Siam, motor roads between French Indo-China and Siam are now connected and overland travel from Saigon to Bangkok, by way of Pnom-Penh and Angkor is quite easy.

The present system enables one to leave Saigon either on Monday, Wednesday or Friday at 5.30 a.m. by motor bus and arrive in Pnom-Penh on the same day at 12.30 p.m. The charge is \$13.10. Hotel accommodations in Pnom-Penh are very good and the charge is \$14.30 a day for board and lodging. Pnom-Penh is the capital of Cambodia and has many places, such as palaces, museums, etc., of interest to sight-seeing groups. From this place one may travel to Aranya Prades either by way of Angkor or Battambang. The bus fare between the two cities is \$19.00.

Private motor cars can be hired at Angkor to travel to Aranya Prades, arriving there within six hours, for \$145. From Aranya Prades there is a daily train to Bangkok. The first class fare is \$11.00.



OLD POLICY.

DIPLOMATIC FARCE IN PEKING.

The conference between President Coolidge and Senator Bingham relative to American policy has brought out with renewed emphasis the fact that the American Government persists in trying to deal with China on a basis of conditions which do not exist. The negative reply of the President to the suggestions of Senator Bingham for provisional recognition of the different governments in China means a continuation of the farce of crediting Peking with authority for the whole of China.

It is not clear just how far Senator Bingham would go in according diplomatic standing to the various military governments, but one thing is perfectly clear. He would have the United States break away from diplomatic theorising and political sham and meet conditions as they exist.

Peking exerts no control over South China. Diplomatic protests to Peking against things happening in that part of the country have no greater effect than to make it a matter of record that conditions are not satisfactory. South China has not the slightest respect for treaties made by Peking in the name of China. As for any intention to abide by the terms of such treaties, South China deliberately goes in the opposite direction to express a determination to defy any such obligations.

Taxation is an excellent illustration. In open defiance of Peking-made treaties, South China will levy taxes in direct ratio to the power to collect them.

That does trade no good, does American prestige no good, does international relationships no good. It serves no beneficial purpose for Peking and helps South China not one whit.

The whole problem is not one of splitting China, nor of uniting China. The splitting already has been done. Unification is not progressing. America has tried to support the principle of unification by assuming a blindness to the splits. That has not worked. It is doing no good now.

We do not understand Senator Bingham as advocating the withdrawal of recognition from Peking. It would be neither practical nor advisable to do that. But we do understand him as advocating discontinuance of trying to hold Peking accountable for things over which Peking has absolutely no control. That would be both practical and advisable.

Such a programme would mean that the American diplomatic representatives should carry on with Peking as the authority in that part of the country under exercisable control of the Peking Government, and then dealing with the authorities which actually do exist in other sections. That would entail negotiation with the Nanking Government when and where it is in power. It would carry the danger of military complications, because the use of armed forces would be more likely to be required. But armed force is likely to be required almost any time now unless anything and everything is to be endured.—"Manila Bulletin."

PROMOTION OF SLEEP.

AN INGENUOUS DEVICE INVENTED.

An exhibit which excited much interest at the meeting of the Institution of Civil Engineers in London was the Yarrow-Hyde bed. This was shown by Sir Alfred F. Yarrow, for whom it was constructed in order to promote he slept far better than when it was still. He tried experiments similar to those which he made many years ago on the vibration of ships, and he determined to repeat, if possible, in an ordinary bed, the vertical movements of a train. He asked the National Physical Laboratory to study the subject. Mr. Hyde, one of the engineering staff, provided a solution of the problem, and the result is the Yarrow-Hyde bed, which, it is stated, has a movement that corresponds as far as practicable in amplitude and frequency to what was found in the train on the Canadian Pacific Railway. A simple crank mechanism worked by an electric motor provides a gentle rise and fall of the bed at its head. The motion is continuous and of a varied extent, and the motor softly purrs as the mechanism provides the movement that is intended to promote sleep.

At a fire at the oil shop and living rooms of Mr. K. Westcott, Planchet Road, Upton Park, West Ham, E., the husband and wife and baby escaped in their night clothes and a P. G. Morgan rescued their boy, aged 6.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

September 12—Queen's Theatre: "Love Thrill" and the Broadway Folies.

September 12—World Theatre: "Poverty of Riches."

September 12—Star Theatre, Kowloon: "Captain Blood."

October 1—H.K. & W.G. & M.C.L.'s "Fun o' The Fair," Lee Gardens.

Sports.

September 12—Ping Pong, Recojo v. South China.

September 12—Water Polo, Scots Guards v. Kosbles; V.E.C. "A" v. Navy.

September 24—Tennis Leagues Chinese Recreation Club v. The Rest of the League.

October 8-10—Hong Kong Jockey Club's sixth extra race meeting at Happy Valley Race Course.

Lammert's Auctions.

September 14—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m.

September 15—At Lammert Bros' Sales Room, valuable properties in the New Territories, 3 p.m.

September 16—At Sales Room, a large and valuable collection of Curios, etc., 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

September 16—Annual general meeting of Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society, City Hall, 5.45 p.m.

September 23—General meeting of contributors of the Hong Kong Development Building & Savings Society Ltd., (in liquidation) City Hall, 2.30 p.m.

October 22—Meeting of the New Territories Agricultural Show Committee, at Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

September 12—Philharmonic Society rehearsal, Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

September 24—Entries close for the sixth extra race meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, noon.

September 29—H.K.V.D.C. route march from Polo Ground to Talkoo.

December 5—Matriculation, Senior & Junior Local Examinations at the Hong Kong University, Bonham Road.

GERMANS BARRED.

RE-ADMISSION PROPOSAL OUTVOTED IN SINGAPORE.

There was a representative attendance at the annual meeting of the Singapore Cricket Club, which doubtless, says the "Straits Times", was occasioned by the unusual items included on the agenda. They were the consideration of building a kitchen and providing a tiffin room for members, raising the subscription from \$3.50 to \$5, and the deletion of the rules relating to the exclusion of certain nationalities from membership.

The President, Mr. R. J. Farrer, was in the chair.

The Chairman spoke on the proposition that the rules 15a and 15b should be expunged. He recalled that at the last meeting the matter was brought forward and there was a small majority in favour of the deletion of the rules. On account of a very tactful appeal made by Major R. R. Robertson the committee allowed the proposal to be withdrawn. The matter forward again, conscious of the fact that a great many precedents had been established throughout the Empire for doing what was suggested. The feeling of the committee was that they should let bygones be bygones, but they would observe that the proposal had to have a majority of two to one or it would not be carried.

Mr. Griffith-Jones supported the chairman and cited the cases of German girls competing at Wimbledon and the Achilles Club having won the international athletic sports in Germany.

A member asked why the club could not be a British club. He did not think they needed the assistance of outside members and they were quite satisfied with their own company. Some of them still had memories of the war and who caused it.

Major Robertson said that since he opposed the proposition last year the situation had not altered in the slightest degree.

Mr. Parsons said that the S.C.C. as one of the foremost clubs in Malaya, ought to rise above parochial feeling and delete the rules.

Mr. Barlow supported the opposition and expressed the opinion that the club should be a British Club.

Mr. Elphick suggested that before the proposal was put they should take an opinion of the meeting on the point that none but British subjects could serve on the committee. He thought that it would affect the voting.

The chairman said that could not be done as there was no notice on the agenda.

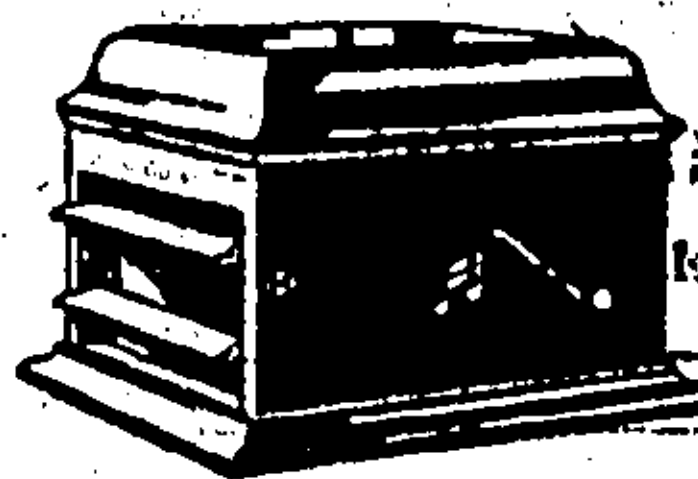
A suggestion was made that a referendum of members should be taken, and Mr. Griffith-Jones gave the assurance that if the proposal was carried a general meeting could be called to decide whether none but British subjects should be allowed to serve on the committee. The proposal was lost by 67 votes to 73.

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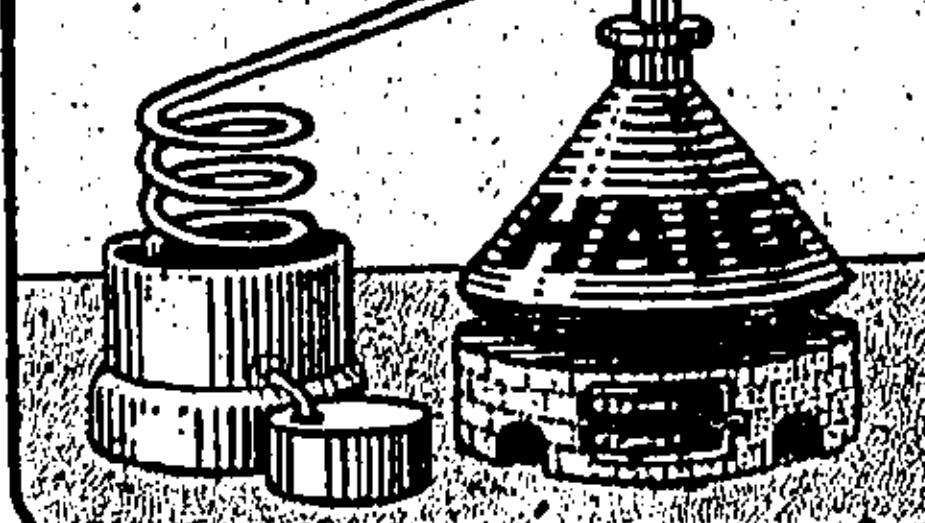
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The s.s. "Tangyang Maru," built by the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co. to the order of the Nishin Kisen Kaisha, will be launched from the company's Pootung yard.

Knocked down in Morrison Hill Road by a motor cycle ridden by Sanitary Inspector Strange, a Chinese suffered slight injuries. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital but was able to leave after his injuries had been attended to.

An officer of the Nationalist army was attacked in a tenshop off Jikong Road by four men armed with Mausers. The robbers fired three shots at the officer, who was seriously wounded, and was subsequently conveyed to the Shantung Road Hospital, where he now lies in a critical condition.

According to the "Eastern Times," the cruiser Hai Chi and several other men-of-war of the Taingtao fleet, which the other day bombarded Woosung, have returned to Taingtao. Chen Kee-liang, commander of the Naval fleet, is making frequent inspections in the neighbourhood of Woosung.

General Li Chai-sum, the highest military authority in Canton, has resigned his position as chief of staff to the commander-in-chief of the Nationalist Armies, says the "Hong Kong Evening Post." Military affairs of Kwangtung province will be under the "director of operations of the 8th route" and General Li Chai-sum is stated to have cabled to Nanking to this effect.

To mark the first occasion on which the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's s.s. "Leungshan" made the trip from Hong Kong to Macao, a tea-party was held on board when the steamer arrived at Macao yesterday, among those present being H.E. the Governor of Macao, the Harbour Master, the agent of the Steamboat Company and leading local residents.

There was a change in the arrangements this week for the Kowloon Dock bathing beach concert. Yesterday's programme was given in the evening and attracted a large attendance of Service men and civilians. The band of the 1st Northampton rendered excellent selections and a most enjoyable time was spent by all. The concert selections were particularly pleasing.

One case of enteric fever (Chinese) figured in the local health returns for Friday.

General Bei Chung-hsi, the Defence Commissioner of Woosung and Shanghai, has returned to Shanghai from Nanking.

About 1,500 soldiers of the 3rd regiment of the Nationalist army at Hangchow left for Shanghai and now are stationed at Lunghua.



NICHOLAS LONGWORTH

Speaker of the House of Representatives snapped while trout-fishing in Glacier National Park.

An old farmer and his wife living in a hut at Chinshakok, Castle Peak district, were the victims of robbers during the week-end. The door of the hut, which was made of light wood, was broken down during the night with a couple of kicks, and before the startled farmer and his wife realised what was happening, they were seized by the intruders and speedily overpowered. One man was sufficient to guard the old couple. The others ransacked the little hut and helped themselves to money and jewellery worth \$54.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mrs. C. J. Doughty, with Jack Doughty, Jr. and her infant daughter, are expected to return to Shanghai toward the end of September. They have been spending the spring and summer in California.

The engagement is announced between Charles Percival Maw, of Benthall, Morstham, Surrey, son of the late George Maw, of Benthall, Shropshire, and Kenley, Surrey, and Gladys Emmeline, daughter of the late William Pugh, of Hong-kow.

Mr. George Gilbert Anderson, East India merchant, formerly of Messrs. Williamson, Magor and Co., and Messrs. George Williamson Co., of London and Calcutta, who died at Reigate on April 20, aged 76, left personal estate in Great Britain valued for probate at £125,843.

The wedding of Miss Audrey Brabazon Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Studdert Evans, and Mr. Arnold Chater Jack will take place at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on Saturday, October 1, at 4.30 p.m. There will afterwards be a reception at Rockport, Chatsworth Road.

Lord Donoughmore, who as Viscount Salsdale was private secretary to Sir Henry Blake when the latter was Governor of Hong Kong, is chairman of the Special Commission which has been appointed to visit Ceylon and report on the working of the Constitution and consider proposals for its revision. A member of the Commission is Sir Matthew Nathan, a former Governor of Hong Kong.

Announcement is made of the death of Mr. John Maurice D'Alton, of Tientsin. He was 70 years of age, and retired from the Chinese Maritime Customs after 40 years in China, which included service at Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yangtse ports, Newchwang and Tientsin. During the Franco-Chinese war Mr. D'Alton served in the Chinese navy, and received several Chinese decorations. He also served in the Zulu war in 1879. He was a native of Liverpool.

The wedding took place at Tanglin Barracks Church, of Lieutenant K. C. Exham, of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, and Miss Joan Eleanor Stewart Hamilton, daughter of Mr. A. W. B. Hamilton, Registrar of Vehicles. The bridegroom is the son of Lieut-Col. Exham, attached to the forces in Shanghai. He and Mrs. Exham were present at the reception at the officers' mess, where Major J. C. L. Burnett, commanding the Duke of Wellington's, proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom.

Mrs. B. R. Branch and two children left by the "Korea Maru" for a holiday in Japan.

Lord Southborough, who is President of the China Association in London, is returning to England from South America, where he has been staying for the benefit of his health.

Mr. M. Lookomull, the popular proprietor of the Liberty Silk Store, who has been on a visit to India. He left Singapore with his wife and family by the s.s. "Esquiline" and will arrive here on Thursday.



Eugene Conrad, 25-year-old holder of the world's altitude record parachute jump, is an entrant in the Dallas to Hong Kong 10,000-mile flight for the \$25,000 William Eastwood prize. Conrad is a former member of the U. S. Air Service, stationed at Kelly Field, San Antonio.

The fifth Gold Medal of the African Society, instituted for those who have done best work for Africa, has been awarded Sir Ronald Ross, Director-in-Chief of the Ross Institute and Hospital for Tropical Diseases, Putney Heath.

Among the successful prize winners at the China Inland Mission Schools were Mildred Oldfield, who took the Form prize with 87 per cent, also a Scripture prize with 88 per cent; Dorothy Kirk took a form prize for 83 per cent, although she had missed half one examination through illness; Dorothy also took a Drawing prize and a Music prize. These three young ladies belong to the Hong Kong party of pupils.

Messrs. Lammert Bros. are auctioning a large and valuable collection of curios, cloisonne ware, jade table ornaments, etc., at their sales room in Duddell Street on Friday next at 2.30 p.m.

A musical treat is promised at the Kowloon Football Club's ground next Saturday evening when the well known "Revellers" party which has given several concerts for the Services will give an open-air concert under the auspices of the China Light and Power Recreation Club. Their special items—Highland dances—will be particularly looked forward to. The Ubique Amateur orchestra will be in attendance. Admission for the concert, which will include music, singing and dancing, is \$1.

Notice is given in the Government "Gazette" that pursuant to the provisions of the War Loan Ordinance, 1916, a drawing of Bonds for redemption will take place on Monday, September 26, 1927, at 10 a.m. at the Colonial Treasury, when the following Bonds will be drawn:—

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Ship nomenclature is an interesting study, and even a casual glance through Lloyd's Register reveals many queer examples of ingenuity. Every nation has a preference peculiar to itself, the French in particular being partial to commemorating the names of distinguished citizens, including their Christian names, and their titles if they possess any, in a manner similar to that in which most of the streets of the French Concession are named. One ventures to say, however, that nothing the French can show could vie either in length or unpronounceability with the name of a little barque, flying the Red Ensign, and registered at Jaffa, which proudly goes about her business under the nomenclature of Veney-agasowpakialetchemy! She has a tonnage of only 290. What her owner would call a really big ship, supposing he possessed one, is dreadful to contemplate.

The wedding has been arranged to take place at the Union Church Kowloon, on October 14, between Cecil James Kingdom, of the Prison Department and Una Maud Falla, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Falla, of Kowloon.

It is understood that H.E. the Governor of Macao is to visit Hong Kong in a fortnight's time when he will be the guest of Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi. The Portuguese community will hold a reception in His Excellency's honour at the Club Lusitano.

A cable has been received from Antwerp announcing the death of Mr. Adolphe Adler, Member of the High Council of Belgium, Chevalier of the Order of Leopold, Officer of the Order of the Crown, Commemorative medal of 1914-1918 campaign, Victory Medal, Officer of the Order of the Lion and Sun of Persia. Mr. Adler, who is the father of Mrs. Rupert Manasseh and Mrs. E. S. Nathan, has been on several visits to Singapore and will be much regretted by his numerous friends.

The marriage took place at the Church of the Resurrection, Kuala Kangsar, of Mr. Brian Thorne, of Temerloh estate, Taiping, brother of Mr. Justice Thorne, and Miss Edith Ada Alton Spark. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr. H. P. Kendall, and was attended by Miss Barbara Bradley and Master Radcliffe as train bearers and Miss Ruth Nevill Stevens as bridesmaid. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Philip Browning, and Mr. S. Berkeley was best man.

The P. and O. "Malwa," which is due to arrive this week, has the following Hong Kong passengers on board.—Mr. F. F. Clare, Mrs. F. F. Clarke, Mrs. M. Costello and child, Rev. C. D. Cousins, Miss (Dr.) Douglas, Mr. S. F. Edgar, Mr. T. H. Hook, Mr. Quong Lee, Mr. J. W. Platt, Mr. A. Primmall, Mrs. H. Russell, Miss M. Russell, Miss H. Russell, Dr. and Mrs. Shellshear, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Strathan, Sub-G. M. Sladen, R.N., Mr. W. E. Stevenson, Mrs. E. Taylor, child, and infant, Mrs. M. Williamson.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, have again been successful in procuring prizes at the China Inland Mission School at Chefoo. Marjorie gains the Conductor Prize in the Preparatory School. Helen takes a Form prize with 82 per cent marks, also a Scripture prize with 92 per cent. Arthur has taken a Form prize with 77 per cent, and also a bestness prize. Prizes are awarded in the Girls' and Boys' Schools to pupils obtaining 75 per cent, and over. The three children played their studies in the "Discipline" Girls' School at Kowloon.

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Kowloon Dock's Feat at Lawn Bowls.

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BASEBALL CRITICISM.

Another League Match Postponed.

FAR EASTERN GAMES.

Incident At Happy Valley.

[By "The Tramp."]

The sporting fixtures passed off almost according to schedule. Neither of the two Lawn Bowls League games had any particular bearing upon the relative standings of the Clubs concerned, but what was interesting was that the Kowloon Dock, by beating their Taikoo brothers, completed their fixtures without losing a match—a splendid performance. I do not profess any great knowledge of the game of lawn bowls or a wide acquaintance with local records, but I understand that this feat of going through the season undefeated in the League competition has not occurred for a number of years. Taikoo, I am told, a few years ago managed to finish with only one reverse, their conquerors being the Civil Service. In regard to baseball, only one of the two League games on the programme took place, that portion of the S.C.A.A. known as the "Dragons" defeating the Filipinos on the Happy Valley diamond. There was a scratch cricket match and a couple of football games, and that is about all that took place.

I see that another baseball League match was postponed on Saturday, the "Tigers" failing to turn out against the Japanese. Perhaps, considering the feeble exhibitions given by the S.C.A.A. representatives, it was as well, but another held-over fixture is not helping the League table along. There is, however, some excuse for the "Tigers," who are confessedly not up to average playing strength, which is more than can be said for the Club de Recreo who, last week, according to reports given to the Press, ignored a baseball game so that their members might participate in a friendly football match. The baseballers have to part with their diamond in a week's time, so it is difficult to imagine how the League table is going to get itself completed unless a number of midweek matches are staged. There is a call for stricter management in the League and a tightening up of local rules, and maybe by the opening of next season we will see things on a more satisfactory basis for players and public alike.

Another Far Eastern Olympic meet has happened, and while some interesting team games were put up in Shanghai nothing deserving comment seems to have occurred in the track events. The fixture which interested me more than any other, as apparently, it did a writer in the "China Mail" during the week, was the football match between China and the Philippines. This produced the usual fight, though it was not so fierce as in some of the former encounters. These combinations always manage to come to blows in the course of the engagement, and have done so since the Olympic Games were inaugurated. It would have been a pity, therefore, if the match had not lived up to its reputation. Some people have taken the incident too seriously and have railed against the lack of sportsmanship displayed by players on both sides. Why do that? Everybody who has followed these Games expected a fight, and would have been terribly disappointed if one had not materialised.

If one wants to be of a critical turn of mind there was, I think, more to take exception to in the incident reported to have occurred at the baseball game yesterday between the "Dragons" and the Filipinos at Happy Valley. On an error a Chinese batsman secured a home run, the ball being struck amongst the spectators who lined the ropes. The suggestion is that the onlookers purposely kicked the ball from out of the reach of the fielder, thus giving the batsman time to get around the bases. This seems mighty unsportsmanlike but, considering the type of Chinese who constitute the "fan" crowds at these matches, it is understandable and,

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FRANCE DEFEATS U.S.

TILDEN BEATEN.

Philadelphia, Saturday. Lacoste beat Tilden, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2. Cochet beat Johnston, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4. France thus wins the Davis Cup by three matches to two. In his match with Tilden, Lacoste opened nervously and double-faulted. Both players, straining every nerve, played slightly less accurately than usual, Tilden putting four successive balls outside the court with misjudged sideline drives. Later Tilden momentarily ran wild against Lacoste's stone-walling, but recovered and with scintillating driving and volleying ran the Frenchman all over the court. Lacoste, however, came back. Tilden became tired. The Frenchman broke through the American's service and won the match. — Reuter's American Service.

HOME SOCCER.

WEEK-END LEAGUE RESULTS.

Saturday's games resulted as follows:—

Division I.

Aston Villa 2, Arsenal 2. Blackburn 3, Wednesday 1. Bury 1, Bolton W. O. Cardiff C. 1, Middlesbrough 1. Derby 2, Leicester 1. Everton 5, Birmingham 2. Manchester U. 1, Newcastle 7. Sheffield 5, Burnley 2. Sunderland 2, Liverpool 1. Tottenham 2, Huddersfield 2. West Ham 4, Portsmouth 2.

Division II.

Barnsley 3, Swansea 3. Blackpool 0, Clapton 1. Fulham 1, Chelsea 1. Grimsby 1, Bristol C. 4. Leeds 4, Nottingham 0. Notts C. 0, Southampton 0. Oldham 3, Stoke 1. Port Vale 1, Hull 2. Reading 1, West Bromwich 4. South Shields 0, Manchester C. 1. Wolves 2, Preston 3.

Division III. (South).

Bournemouth 2, Luton 2. Brighton 3, Millwall 1. Bristol R. 1, Coventry 1. Charlton 3, Newport 2. Charlton 3, Walsall 2. Northampton 5, Exeter 0. Norwich 4, Torquay 0. Plymouth 2, Gillingham 2. Queen's Park 2, Brentford 3. Southend 6, Crystal Palace 1. Watford 2, Swindon 5.

Division III. (North).

Ashington 4, Lincoln 5. Barrow 3, Southport 1. Bradford 1, Chesterfield 0. Crewe 1, New Brighton 1. Darlington 5, Hartlepool 0. Doncaster 0, Accrington 0. Halifax 2, Bradford City 1. Nelson 6, Rotherham 1. Stockport 2, Durham 1. Tranmere 2, Wrexham 1. Wigan Boro' 1, Rochdale 2.

Scottish League.

Aberdeen 4, Hibernians 2. Aberdeenians 2, Hamilton 0. Bo'ness 2, Dundee 0. Celtic 3, Queen's Park 0. Cowdenbeath 1, Kilmarnock 1. Hearts 6, Dunfermline 0. Motherwell 2, Falkirk 3. Partick 0, Rangers 6. St. Johnstone 0, Clyde 0. St. Mirren 4, Raith Rovers 3.

—Reuter.

to the impartial European spectator, no doubt had its humorous side.

The incident described in a Home paper about a batsman remaining "in" despite the removal of a ball by the bowler is a curious one and reminds me of a somewhat similar happening in which I was concerned whilst in India a few years ago. In the former case the bowler with a fast ball sent a ball flying into the air. It landed back on the stumps, and the batsman was declared not out. In my case, when "keeping" in a match on the Bombay Gymkhana ground, a snappy throw-in from mid-on dislodged a ball whilst the approaching batsman was well away from the crease. I was standing close up covering the wicket and in taking the ball, the ball happened to hit my arm and rebound back on to the stumps. By this time the runner was "safe." Nevertheless he was given "out." And, I think, quite rightly so.

INTERPORT BOWLS.

Colony's First Trial Game.

POOR EXHIBITION.

Remarkable Play By Taikoo Skip.

[By "Short Head."]

Trial matches do not always bring out the best in a player, but it is the custom to hold them—and it is the custom to prevail if the heavens fall. At the same time they serve the useful purpose of showing the public on what lines the selectors have gone in the framing of the final team. And they also expose the weakness of any player not accustomed to "big occasions" and who have not the temperament to survive the ordeal.

It was expected that general interest in the first trial game at the Valley yesterday would have been keen, but the number of spectators, including a number of ladies,

Reports of League bowls, soccer, lawn tennis, baseball, polo, and dog racing appear on page 11.

was only fair. The Craigengower C.C., on whose green the game was played, went to infinite trouble to cater for the crowd, and the visitors greatly enjoyed afternoon tea in the coolness of the Club-house.

Slight alterations had to be made in the teams originally chosen, owing to the absence of Holland and Gray, and two Civil Service men were brought in—Smith and Grimmit.

The two games resulted:—
Omar Osrick
Reid McLeod
Brown Grimmit
W. Macfarlane Lapsley
(skip) 19 (skip) 16
Atkinson Lains
Basa Smith
Cullen Morrison
Wallace Pendered
(skip) 26 (skip) 13

Of these games that in which the skips were Wallace and Pendered claimed most attention as being more likely than the other to furnish a clue to the "big four" to play against Shanghai. It proved to be Wallace's day out, for he could nothing wrong and pulled his side out when all seemed lost, and time and again his marvellous display elicited the cheers of the spectators. If he could be relied upon to play the same game against Shanghai then it may be regarded right away as all "U.P." with our visitors from the North.

Wallace scored a couple in the first end, but Pendered did likewise in the second; then Wallace got another couple, only to be followed by a similar score for Pendered. The fourth end was really the decisive head of the whole game. Pendered lay, but Wallace came up with a beauty, which Pendered could not take out, and two more were hoisted on the board for Wallace—well deserved. From this to the eighth end, inclusive, the score went all in favour of Wallace, at which point he led by 13-4. Play was unexciting until the eleventh end, when Pendered cleverly trailed the jack and lay four, making the score 14-9. Had Pendered been at all supported as he ought to have been the outcome would certainly have been very close. But he was always up against it, with Wallace always doing the seemingly impossible, amid the plaudits of the crowd, and Pendered scored only four more—no particular fault of his as skip. Time and again he did his best to extricate his rink from very ugly positions, only to have the mortification of seeing Wallace roll up a shot that left the ordinary player or spectator gazing. It was merely cause for surprise that Pendered, by dint of patience and perseverance, scored four more singles, bringing his score to 13, whilst Wallace, by still marvellous play—particularly on the eighth, ninth and twelfth ends—went on to win easily by 23-13. The scoring board at the finish read:—

Wallace Pendered.
1 2 2 0 0
2 0 2 2 2
3 2 4 0 2
4 0 4 2 4
5 2 6 0 4
6 1 7 0 4
7 4 11 0 4
8 2 13 0 4
9 0 13 1 5
10 0 14 0 5
11 0 14 4 9
12 2 16 0 9
13 5 21 0 9
14 0 21 1 10
15 1 22 0 10
16 0 22 1 11
17 1 23 0 11
18 1 24 0 11
19 0 24 1 12
20 0 24 1 13
21 2 26 0 13

The Second Game.

In comparison with the above game that in which Lapsley and Macfarlane were skips was mediocre in the extreme. The green was more tricky—but of course this affected all eight players equally. The test of any bowls player is to be able to master any green after a preliminary roll-up.

Lapsley's rink scored in the first two ends. In the third they lay three when Macfarlane drew and opened his score. In the sixth end Brown displaced the opposition but Macfarlane knocked his own side's wood out and Lapsley's rink scored one. At the seventh end it appeared as if Macfarlane's rink would score, but Lapsley sent down a well-judged wood and drew the shot. The eighth end saw Lapsley lying a couple when Brown got in close to the jack. This performance he repeated at the eleventh end, although he was eventually displaced by Lapsley. The latter maintained a four or five shots lead throughout, and at the 18th end the score in his favour was 16-11. In the next two ends Macfarlane's rink got three each, finishing up with a two, which gave victory to this side by 19-16.

As a game it lacked the finer points of a real test of merit, Lapsley being the best of the eight. Reid and Grimmit were disappointing. The former got in three really fine shots, but that was all. The duel between Omar and Osrick was tame, neither player giving of his best throughout the whole game. McLeod was better than Reid and Brown easily beat Grimmit; whilst Macfarlane was always overshadowed by Lapsley.

The scores at a glance are as under:—

Macfarlane.	Lapsley.
1	0
2	0
3	1
4	0
5	2
6	0
7	0
8	1
9	1
10	0
11	0
12	2
13	0
14	2
15	0
16	1
17	1
18	0
19	3
20	3
21	2

NEXT SATURDAY'S GAME.

The second trial game will be played on the C.C.C. green on Saturday, the teams being:—

Lains, Smith, Morrison, and Wallace (skip).
Osrick, McLeod, Holland, and Macfarlane (skip).
Atkinson, Basa, Cullen, and Pendered (skip).
Omar, Reid, Brown, and Gray (skip).

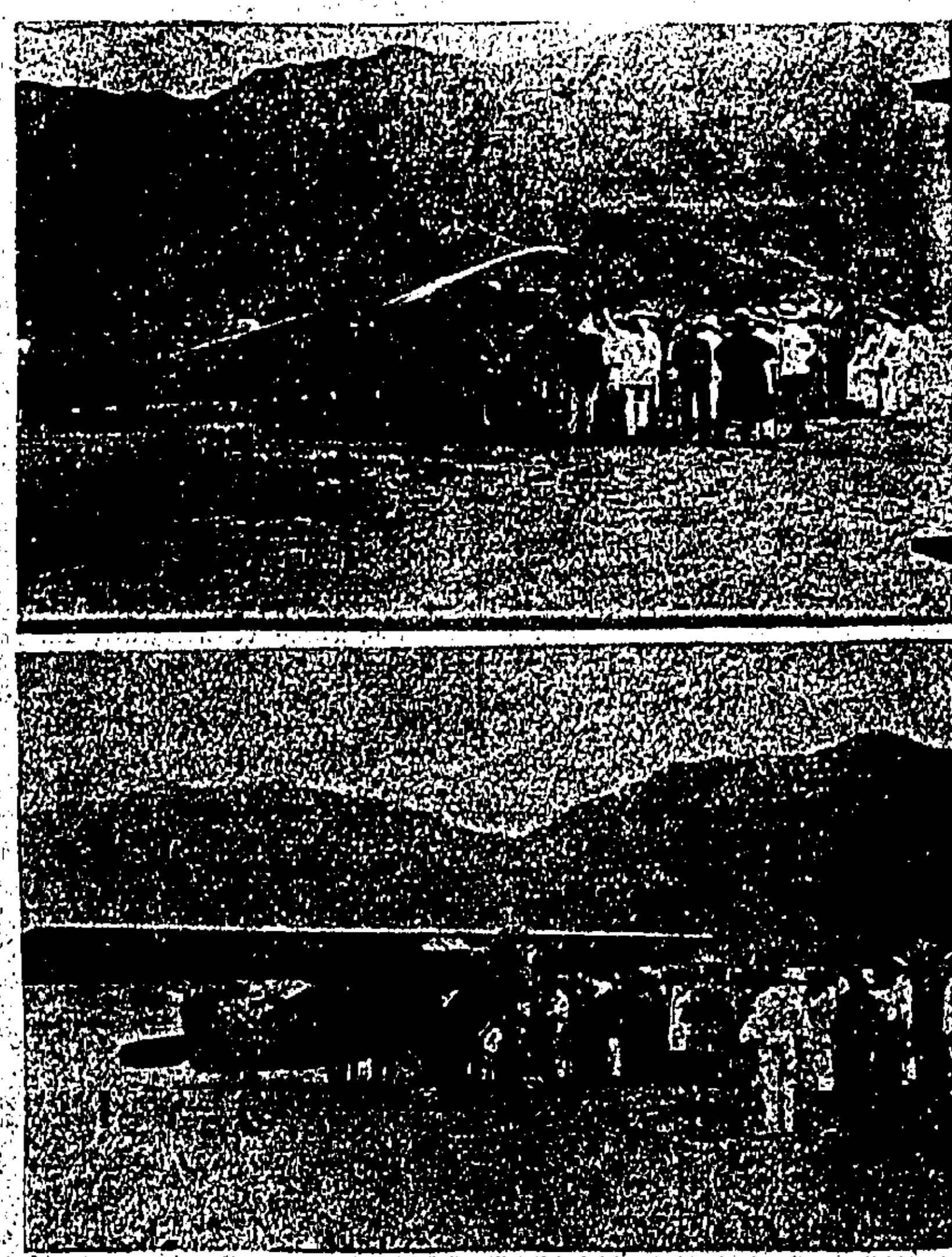
Letter From The Shanghai Secretary.
Yesterday Mr. C. J. Tacchi, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, received the following communication from Mr. W. T. Rose, Hon. Secretary of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association:—

"At a meeting of my Committee held the other night it decided that our team will leave here by the Empress boat leaving Shanghai on October 6.

"We will select our team on September 15, as there are still a number of our best players away, and it is not certain if they can make the trip.

"In any case we will send you down the best team we can and I am quite sure they will give you a good game."

"PRIDE OF DETROIT" IN HONG KONG.



Two views of the "Pride of Detroit," the round-the-world monoplane which arrived in Hong Kong at the Kai Tak aerodrome last week-end and, after staying a night, proceeded to Shanghai. In the top picture one of the aviators is seen swinging the propeller, whilst in the other, which gives more of an end-on view of the machine, a few of the many autographs and messages written on the fuselage may be faintly discerned. The photos are published by courtesy of Mr. Sidney Woods, Hong Kong representative of the International News Reel Corporation of New York.

From Shanghai papers it would appear that the Empress boat will not leave till October 8 (Saturday), which would mean that the Interport will probably be played on the following Wednesday (October 12).

Shanghai Comment.
Shanghai will send a team down south leaving here on the Empress boat on or about October 6, says the "Shanghai Times." There is every chance of Shanghai sending down a first class team as several of our best players have already submitted their names. At the next meeting of the Committee of the Lawn Bowls Association on September 15, the team to represent Shanghai will be selected. Any bowler who can get away and feels that he can help to strengthen our side is requested to submit his name to the representative of his club on the Association Committee.

LOCAL RUGBY.

CLUB TO MEET WASEDA UNIVERSITY.

A Rugby match to herald the new season will be played on the football ground at Happy Valley on Thursday next at 6.30 p.m. between the Hong Kong Club and Waseda University, who are returning to Japan after a successful tour in New South Wales. The Club are fielding the strongest side that has represented them in recent years and a most interesting game should ensue. The complete Club side will be published on Tuesday morning and it is hoped that the names of the Waseda side will be available before Thursday. Japanese residents are displaying great interest in the fixture and it is hoped also that the Club will not be lacking in support.

NO "MUTT."

HOW THE GREYHOUND CAUGHT THE HARE.

A thrilling, though unexpected, event occurred in an electric greyhound race at Liverpool from Modest Mutt and Lad from Delvin. The latter was leading all the way, and Modest Mutt, when three-quarters way round, fell out limping, giving Lad from Delvin a walk-over.

But Modest Mutt was crafty, flattered himself on the grass catlike, and waited till the hare careered round the track a second time. When the hare was almost abreast, Modest Mutt sprang, pounced upon it and savaged it.

The crowd became more excited than over a horse race and cheered wildly, until the dog was pulled off when it walked away without a sign of a limp with a wicked gleam in its eye.

WOMEN'S TENNIS.

WIN FOR SPANIARD AT LE TOUQUET.

Le Touquet, Yesterday.
In the international lawn tennis championships finals (women's singles) Signorita Alvarez (Spain) beat the German champion, Fraulein Aussem.—Reuter.

LOCAL CRICKET.

INDIANS DEFEAT THE ORDNANCE.

A CLOSE GAME.

At Sookumpoo, the Indian R.C. "B" team defeated the Royal Army Ordnance Corps by 14 runs. Batting first, the visitors put up the respectable score of 122 runs to which S/Sgt. Walker contributed 55. Walker was also the mainstay of the bowling of his side, capturing 5 wickets for 43 runs. Cpl. Bendall made a useful 22 whilst S/Sgt. Waterfield (10) was the only other batsman to reach double figures. A fine first wicket partnership of 41 between Madar (21) and Sufiad (18) gave the Indians a good start but a rot set in afterwards and nine wickets fell for only 76. A last wicket stand between D. Mohamed (33) and Hoesen (34 not out) however, pulled the game round. The Indian R.C. "B" team who won the junior league last year, have been promoted to the senior division and it would be interesting to see how they fare in the first division league this season. Scores:—

R.A.O.C.	Indians
S/Sgt. Greenaway, b Sufiad	5
Cpl. Bendall, hit wicket	22
Cpl. Roberts, c A. R. Minu, b Sufiad	0
S/Sgt. Gilbert, b Sirdar Khan	3
S/Sgt. Walker, b F. Mohamed	55
Pte. Bryant, c Madar, b Sufiad	1
Condr. Hool, c Ismail, b Sirdar Khan	0
Sgt. Maj. Hale, c Arculli, b Madar	5
L/Cpl. Gordon, b Madar	4
S/Sgt. Waterfield, not out	10
L/Cpl. Burger, c A. K. Minu, b Sufiad	8
Extras	9
Total	122

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Sufiad	8.2	4	24
Sirdar Khan	8	1	39
Thad	2	0	11
Madar	3	0	10
A. R. Minu	2	0	16
D. Mohamed	3	1	11
F. Mohamed	2	1	2

Indian R.C. "B."

M. P. Madar, c Gordon, b Hale	21
A. S. Sufiad, c Hool, b Walker	18
V. T. Thad, b Hale	1
S. A. R. Ismail, b Walker	4
A. Rahmin, run out	4
A. K. Minu, b Walker	2
A. R. Minu, b Walker	8
D. Mohamed, c Bryant, b Hale	33
Sirdar Khan, b Walker	10
F. Mohamed, run out	10
A. Hoesen, not out	34
Extras	4
Total	136

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Burger	6	1	20
Hale	19.2	2	69
Walker	14	0	43

BHORAS BEAT SINDHIS.

The Bhoras and Sindhi merchants again met on Sunday morning, the former winning by 39 runs. Barma (Bhoras) and Melvani (Sindhis) were top scorers with 25 apiece, and Chinwala (Sindhis) took six wickets for 24 runs.

Details:—

Bhoras.	Sindhis.
H. T. Barma, l.b.w., b Karani	25
A. S. A. Hyum, run out	6
A. T. Nomanbhoy, c Pritam, b Daswani	6
F. A. Gengswalla, l.b.w., b Daswani	1
G. P. Poonwala, b Daswani	4
F. Chinwala, c Mahani, b Pritam	16
E. M. Malubhoy, c Daswani, b Pritam	8
Y. S. A. Tapia, b Daswani	3
N. Mahomedally, not out	4
N. S. Akyum, b Pritam	0
A. Musabhy, run out	0
Extras	15
Total	99

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
U. T. Thadani	8	1	22
L. A. Mahtani	3	1	3
G. P. Daswani	7	0	39
Pritam	9	3	24
Karani	3	0	6

Sindhis.

M. H. Nagrani, c Barma, b Malubhoy	10
F. H. Melvani, c and b Barma	25
G. T. Thadani, b Musabhy	1
F. G. Tharani, b Chinwala	0
L. A. Mahtani, c Chinwala	0
U. T. Thadani, c Chinwala	8
G. P. Daswani, c and b Barma	4
S. V. Karani, b Chinwala	7
H. Pritam, played on	b
Chinwala	1
K. P. Seervani, not out	1
S. Kalachand, b Chinwala	0
Extras	8
Total	60

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
F. H. Chinwala	12	2	24
A. Musabhy	6	1	12
A. S. A. Kym	8	0	13
H. T. Barma	3	1	3

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On demand —
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On demand 47 3/4
Credits 60 days' sight 49 1/2

On Bombay—

Wire —
On demand 131

On Calcutta—

Wire —
On demand 131

On Singapore—

On demand 84 1/2
On Manila—

On demand 96
On Shanghai—

On demand 79 1/2
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On Yokohama—
On demand 101

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Chartered Bank 1110 n
Mercantile A. & B. 332 n

P. & O. Bank 29 1/2 b
East Asia 368 n

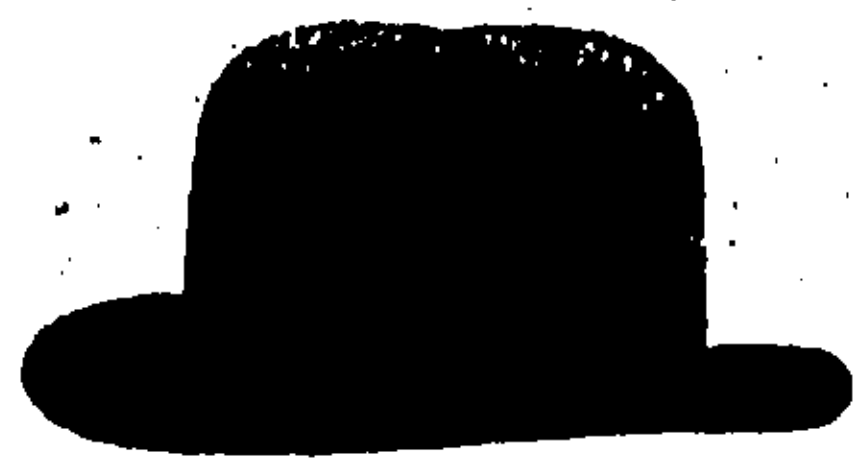
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All sorts of patterns are used in the printed fabrics. Small, tailored designs are used a good deal in the frocks that are not formal in their tone, while the larger—and usually floral—patterns are emphasised in the afternoon and evening dresses.

There are to be seen all sorts of charming combinations of colours in both tailored and formal designs. Some very charming frocks feature a fluttering fabric with small, prim posies in bright red, blue and yellow on a background of black or dark blue. Others show poppies and corn flowers and field grass artistically blended against a corn coloured background. Green, that suggests a seafoam frock, is also beautifully done with white flecks for contrast.

Fancy has run riot in the matter of small designs. Flowers, large, small, natural or conventional in single aspect or in groups, scattered or trailing, are all used with beautiful results. Fruits, shells, geometric designs, blocks and checks—used with fascinating results—are seen in the most beautiful colour combinations.

Mary Astor wears an extremely stunning example of the printed chiffon mode in the First National film, "The Sunset Derby." It is designed for formal occasions and is lovely in its rose and mauve shades.

REFRESHING BATHS.

For Health and Beauty.

Nothing so soothes the nerves and re-energises the tired body (says a writer in the London "Daily Telegraph") as a bath taken leisurely. The really ideal bath consists of much more than the time actually spent in the water; the drying, which is a great feature so far as health and beauty are concerned, is included as well.

Taken too frequently, the hot bath is usually a beauty spoiler. A larger bath filled with water and the room filled with steam open the pores of the skin on face, neck and arms. These conditions are harmful, for they coarsen the skin. The next damage is the "touch of powder" dusted on while the pores are still flabby. The powder blocks

With the beach season in full swing, smart shops are emphasizing details that go far towards creating a chic appearance on the summer sands. Much liberty is permitted in the selection of things to wear, both in the water and on the beach.

Some of the things noted in the very smart resorts are the use of the jumper with shorts showing below. This comes under the tailored mode in beach apparel, and while it is limited in design, it is extremely varied in its colouring and colour combinations. Jumpers featuring horizontal stripes in all the brilliant shades that appear to such advantage in beach life are

them up, and when they are not acting properly the complexion soon takes on a muddy look, and before long the face becomes unhealthy looking. If a little vaseline is rubbed on the face, protection will be given against the steam difficulty.

Bran baths are excellent for the skin. Make a cheesecloth bag about 6 in. square and fill it three-quarters full of ordinary bran. When the bath is filled with water, drop in the bag. Move it about and squeeze it well. Take out the bag and keep for use another day. Be careful not to have the bath water too hot. By using warm, not hot water, there is produced a milky fluid which is soothing and restful and also has a whitening effect on the skin. By mixing the bran with sweet-scented substances such as almond meal flower, powdered orris root, or sachet powder, a truly luxurious bath is obtained. Another beauty bath is provided by the use of a cheesecloth bag, filled with almond meal and the shavings of castile soap.

Carbolic soap is also valuable for the bath, removing rashes, eruptions, and pimples, where there is no internal cause for them. A few drops of carbolic acid added to the bath will cool and heal eruptions, and frequently after two or three applications drive them away. The odour of this soap and acid is not particularly agreeable, but it soon disappears, and its presence may be concealed by the use of a perfumed toilet water. A stimulating bath, especially comforting for tired feet and legs, can be prepared by adding 1 oz. of borax, 1 oz. of sea-salt, and ½ oz. of alum to a gallon of water. The ingredients must all be crushed to a fine powder and must have dissolved before the bath is ready.

Scented Crystals.
A moderate temperature and a few bath crystals to soften the water are all that are required
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used. From the brilliant reds to the soft blues all tones appear. The shorts are usually of a solid colour. Of colour jumpers in solid tones are featured, too.

The belted bathing suit is seen along with the suit that is free from any line at the waist. Belts, when used, are often in a very brilliant colour and are seen for contrast.

The use of jersey, jersey and crepe de Chine combined, crepe de Chine alone, cretonne, printed silks, shantung, satin and taffeta—all are to be found wherever summer sands demand their appearance.

In the more feminine of the bathing outfits straight lines are viewed along with ruffled, pleated, tucked and other full effects. Circular lines are beheld along with the straight—and each has its good points. Solid colours in the silks and taffetas are seen, as are also the blocked designs in silks and cretonnes.

The coolie coat that has taken the summer season by storm is much seen on the beach in both silk and cotton fabrics. Its striking designs are best contrasted with bathing suits of one tone in either silk or jersey.

Crepes are also good in cretonne and rubberized silk effects. The beach cape always presents a graceful appearance and is much used. The heavy linen coat with its floral patterns makes another effective covering in the beach ensemble. Flannel coats in brilliant shades are also seen in double breasted effects.

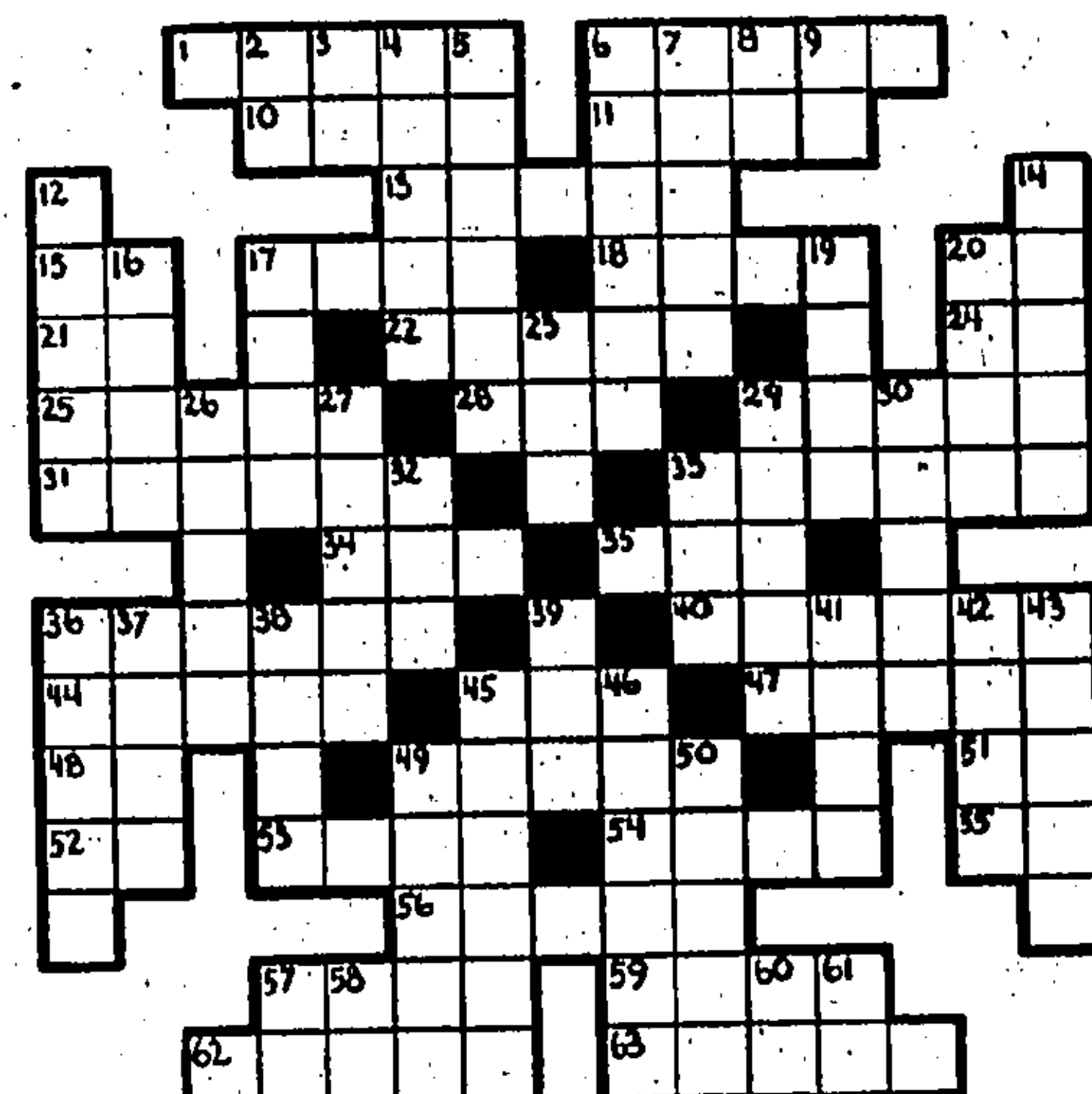
Other smart additions to the list of beach accessories include the wooden sandals in all their striking colours. Rubberized bags, too, are important. They are seen in stripes, flowered designs and in plain colours. Beach hats that are large and shade the face are also used, while the parasol is another effective means of controlling the sun's rays.

Alice White, seen in the First National film, "Breakfast at Sunrise," wears an exceedingly smart bathing outfit, which includes a jumper suit of jersey and a parasol and silk scarf that match exactly.

for the daily tub, which should be followed by a really hard scrubbing down. Scented bath crystals are easy to prepare. A simple formula is this: Take 1 lb. of soda and spread it out to dry in the oven for about six hours. The oven must not be too hot. Break up the soda when cold and put into a large bottle. Add half an ounce of oil of lavender and leave uncovered for about an hour. Then cork down and use as wanted. Effervescent bath salts make the bath refreshing and stimulating. To prepare them, take 4oz. of car-

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Window
- 6-Pierces with a pointed weapon
- 10-Performed by one
- 11-Numerous
- 13-A shade of yellow
- 15-Allowing that
- 17-A rounded top
- 18-Jump
- 20-Bachelor of Arts (abbr.)
- 21-North Latitude (abbr.)
- 22-Schemes
- 24-Conjunction
- 25-Salvages
- 26-Affirmative answer
- 28-A head-dress worn by popes
- 31-Those wandering away from home
- 32-Recover
- 34-A fruit
- 35-A small compact mass of soft substance
- 36-Vessel in slave trade

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 40-Heaped
- 44-A kind of bear
- 45-A title
- 47-A vessel
- 48-Preposition
- 49-Unlashed by fine
- 51-Part of verb "to be"
- 52-Pronoun
- 53-End
- 54-A nuisance
- 55-Act
- 56-To harass
- 57-At that time
- 59-Home of a bird
- 62-Of little length
- 63-A body of soldiers

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16-A plant
- 17-A combat by two
- 18-Reimbursed
- 20-Annoy
- 23-Over (contr.)
- 26-Important
- 27-To put off
- 28-A small metal disk
- 30-Tight, stiff
- 32-A title
- 33-To bump
- 36-To ruin
- 37-A few story under a roof
- 38-Great
- 39-Part of a fish
- 41-To pass thru a slave
- 42-An exclamation
- 43-An evil spirit
- 45-Without noise
- 46-Regret
- 49-A fine filament
- 50-To hinder
- 57-Suffix denoting abstract nouns
- 58-An exclamation
- 60-In such a manner
- 61-Preposition

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



bonate of soda and crush it down to a fine powder. To this add 5oz. of tartaric acid, and mix the two well together. Then add 3oz. of rice flour and thoroughly mix the ingredients together. A perfume may be added if desired. The salts must be kept in a tin or bottle having a well-fitting lid. When the bath is ready and just before it is used, a few tablespoonsful must be thrown in and the water well stirred.

Cloudy ammonia, another delightful addition to the bath, can be easily prepared. Take 1oz. of soft soap, place it in a scrupulously clean mortar, and pour on to it about a teaspoonful of water. Stir the soap well for a minute, and a little more water, and stir again, forming a smooth paste and taking great care that no lumps form. Continue to add water very gradually, until quite a thin solution is made, using about two table-spoonsful. Then carefully add a few drops of ordinary solution of ammonia at a time, until 1oz. has

been added. The preparation must be stirred the whole time. Then add water 3 or 4 oz. at a time until the mixture measures one pint. When this cloudy ammonia is used, you must not add it to the bath water until just you step in. One, two or three table-spoonsful may be used, according to the amount of water in the bath.

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LAWN BOWLS.

KOWLOON DOCK WIN AGAIN.

AN UNBROKEN RECORD.

By defeating the Tai Koo R.C. in their last match on Saturday, the Kowloon Dock R.C., who had already won the First Division championship of the Lawn Bowls League, have added another victory to their list.

The Kowloon Dock Recreation Club have had a very successful season and are to be congratulated on their splendid achievement—that of winning all the matches in which they were engaged.

The Tai Koo R.C. were expected to give the champion a close game but the Kowloonites showed their superiority on every rink.

The Division II match between the Yacht Club (home) and the Bowling Green Club was a runaway victory for the visitors, who won by a majority of 45 shots.

There are only two matches left to be played in the League, both in Division II, these being the Yacht Club v. Tai Koo (2).

Two interesting friendly matches took place on Saturday, the first being played on the East Point R.C. received the Police R.C. to whom they lost by 25 shots, whilst the Civil Service C.C. beat the latter by 31 shots.

Division I.

KOWLOON DOCK v. TAIKOO.

On their own green, the Kowloon Dock R.C. defeated the Tai Koo R.C. by 75 shots. Scores:—

K.D.R.C.	T.R.C.
A. Atkinson	J. Muirhead
V. Ramsay	J. Whyte
A. Lindsay	J. Russell
C. Brown	W. Waterspoon
(skip) ... 21	(skip) ... 15
P. Puncione	T. Grimes
H. Henderson	T. Grimshaw
O. McLagan	K. McLeod
S. Gray	R. Wallace
(skip) ... 20	(skip) ... 15
H. G. Cooper	J. McCubbin
W. Greig	W. Weir
C. Cullen	T. Laidy
S. Lapsley	G. Morrison
(skip) ... 18	(skip) ... 13
50	43

Division II.

R.H.K.Y.C. v. K.B.G.C.

At North Point, the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club lost to the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 45 shots. Scores:—

R.H.K.Y.C.	K.B.G.C.
Vood	F. Statham
Islam	R. Caruthers
Creig	J. Budding
Lawrie	J. MacLachlan
(skip) ... 13	(skip) ... 29
Julcock	W. E. Hale
Black	G. Hatt
utherland	G. B. Slipper
Edwards	D. F. Warren
(skip) ... 12	(skip) ... 24
aux	J. Cameron
roucher	J. Reed
heids	R. Dixon
(skip) ... 11	(skip) ... 28
36	81

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts
owloon D.R.C. . .	12	12	0	0	24
aikoo R.C.	12	7	1	4	15
olice R.C.	12	6	0	6	12
owloon B.G.C. . .	12	5	1	6	11
ivil Service C.C.	12	5	0	7	10
raigower C.C. . .	12	5	0	7	10
owloon C.C. . . .	12	1	0	11	2

Shots for and Against.	For Agt. Up. Dn.
Kowloon D.R.C.	761 587 174
Tai Koo R.C.	733 658 75
Police R.C.	723 695 28
Kowloon B.G.C.	723 706 17
Civil Service C.C.	688 729
Raigower C.C.	661 715
Kowloon C.C.	562 761

Division II.	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon C.C.	14	11	0	3	22
East Point R.C.	14	10	0	4	20
Kowloon B.G.C.	14	9	0	5	18
Tai Koo R.C.	12	8	1	3	17
Club de Recreo	14	5	1	8	11
Civil Service C.C.	14	5	0	9	10
Raigower C.C.	14	4	0	10	8
Royal H.K.Y.C.	12	1	0	11	2

Shots for and Against.	For Agt. Up. Dn.
Kowloon C.C.	862 738 129
East Point R.C.	846 722 123
Kowloon B.G.C.	854 735 119
Tai Koo R.C.	743 651 92
Club de Recreo	782 806
Civil Service C.C.	762 838
Raigower C.C.	745 846
Royal H.K.Y.C.	576 832

Friendly Matches.

EAST POINT v. POLICE.

At Causeway Bay, the East Point C. lost to the Police R.C. by 25 shots. Scores:—

E.P.R.C.	P.R.C.
T. Hamilton	Glendenning
W. Williamson	Kelly
McShaw	Condon
McKellar	West
(skip) ... 12	(skip) ... 22
Samways	Wiltshire
Shuter	Hollands
Whitford	Held

S. Baker	Buchanan
Walker	Orr
G. Vickers	Mark
H. M. McTavish	Sword
(skip) ... 11	(skip) ... 28
45	70

INTER-CLUB MATCH.

At Happy Valley, the Civil Service senior team defeated their junior team by 31 shots. Scores:—

"A"	"B"
Longbottom	Beattie
R. A. Smith	F. H. Holdman
F. Holkege	Archibald
T. D. E. Pendered	R. Taylor
(skip) ... 21	(skip) ... 17
A. H. Oswick	S. Eccleshall
H. H. Rose	C. E. Jones
F. Deakin	F. H. W. Haynes
A. W. Grimmitt	J. Massey
(skip) ... 25	(skip) ... 16
P. Keegan	P. T. Lambie
H. Westlake	Luck
B. E. Maughan	A. B. Allan
A. O. Brawn	S. Alderman
(skip) ... 37	(skip) ... 19
83	62

Inter-Departmental Tourney.

The Police qualified to meet the Sanitary Department in the final of the Inter-Departmental Lawn Bowls Tournament by defeating the Small Units on the Police Club ground yesterday afternoon by the margin of three shots.

The final will probably be played next Sunday or the following week.

The prizes will be presented at the conclusion of the match.

Yesterday's results were:—

Police	Small Units.
Pears	Maughan
Marks	Westlake
Condon	Moss
Sword	Deakin
(skip) ... 21	(skip) ... 18

Shanghai Singles Champion.

The "Shanghai Mercury" of September 3 reports:—

The singles open championship games have now reached the semi-final stage, and promise to be very interesting.

In the top half C. M. Sequeira meets Gordon Wright. This match should be full of interest as Sequeira has played some very good games, having defeated noted players like Burnside and Aitkenhead.

Gordon Wright is playing a great game also. He has defeated T. Veitch and S. Marks.

The result of this game is hard to predict, Sequeira if anything is the favourite.

In the bottom half Harrison meets F. Large. Harrison is the holder of the honour of being the singles champion and it looks as if he is going to repeat the performance again this year as he is playing up to his standard.

If he wins the championship it will be his third year in succession.

Large is also playing a great game and if he tackles Harrison in the same way that he went after A. A. Malcolm and G. B. Stormes, Harrison will have to work more than hard to put Large out.

SOCCER.

MEDICALS DRAW WITH RECREIO.

A well fought out football match was seen at King's Park on Saturday when the Royal Army Medical Corps held the strong Club de Recreo senior XI to a draw of two goals all.

The Portuguese players were attacking vigorously for the first 15 minutes and kept the soldiers' defence very busy but of no avail, the Medics being the first to draw blood through Sims who sent in a beautiful shot which found its mark just underneath the horizontal bar of the goal post.

At half time the Recreio were one goal down but were still keeping up the offensive. They were soon rewarded for their efforts, Gosano sending in the equaliser shortly after the commencement of the second half.

Rocha put his side one up by heading the ball in, but thanks to a miskick by Ogley, who put the ball into his own goal, the R.A.M.C. drew level.

Earlier in the afternoon, on the same ground, the Club de Recreo 2nd XI defeated H.M.S. "Durban" by two goals to nil, the scorers being Carvalho and Roza-Pereira.

LAWN TENNIS.

LADIES' SINGLE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Entries for the Hong Kong Ladies' Singles Open Championship Challenge Cup at the Ladies' Recreation Club, close on October 5. Every lady may enter who is a member of any Tennis Club in the Colony.

LEAGUE BASEBALL.

FILIPINOS LOSE TO "DRAGONS."

TWO HOME RUNS.

After an absence of several weeks on account of some of their players being away in Shanghai in connection with the Far Eastern Olympiad, the South China "Dragons" made a welcome re-appearance on the baseball diamond on Saturday and in a closely contested game defeated the Filipino B.B.C. by two runs (10-8) in the local League.

The "Dragons" are strong favourites for championship honours. They have played eight matches so far, all of which they have won, and there are two to be contested. Their nearest rivals are the Japanese who have lost two matches to date, so that another win for the "Dragons" would make their position secure.

The game was full of thrills, especially in the latter stages.

The "Dragons" had the upper hand up to the fifth inning, leading by seven clear runs, but on two separate occasions thereafter, the Filipinos very nearly tied the score.

A Costly Error.

After having scored two runs in the second inning (the first being blanked) and with Shim on base in the third, an error on the part of the Filipino third baseman, Currem, proved very expensive.

S. L. Lee hit a grounder which went between Currem's legs, the ball got amongst the spectators lining the ropes and the batter made the home circuit.

This hit did not deserve a home run and in this connection one of the fielders was heard to remark that some of the spectators—arrogant supporters of the "Dragons"—deliberately kicked the ball away from the fieldman with the result that he was not in a position to recover it in time.

The Filipinos opened their scoring in the sixth inning when they collected five runs, through D. Leonard, T. Leonard, Bautista, Zafra and Cruz.

The score stood at 7-5 in favour of the "Dragons" when they went up for their sixth inning.

Lam, the first man up, hit a beauty between centre-field and left-field for a home run amidst great excitement. Two others also scored.

The Filipinos made a strenuous effort to pull the game round in the seventh and had hard luck in being two runs in arrears after scoring three in the last inning.

The teams lined up as follows:—

Filipinos	"Dragons"
T. Leonard	1b K. Chinn
Bautista	ss T. Chinn
Fernandez	c S. S. Lee
Zafra	p S. L. Lee
Cruz	2b Slim
Rull	1f Lam
Delgado	cf D. Chinn
Currem	3b June
D. Leonard	rf Shim
Substitute:—	
L. Rull	
Umpires:—S. Hachluma and Kusano.	

Score by innings:—

Filipinos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Filipinos	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	8
"Dragons"	0	2	4	0	1	3	—	10

Walk Over for Japanese.

The Japanese B.B.C. who were to play the "Tigers" on Saturday received a walk-over as the latter failed to put in an appearance on the field.

Recreio Defeated.

Playing against the Hong Kong Baseball Club yesterday at Happy Valley the Club de Recreo were surprisingly defeated by 16 runs to eight. Cockey pitched a fine game for the winners. In the last inning Figueiredo scored a "home" for the Recreio.

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U.S. BASEBALL.

RESULTS OF LAST WEEK'S GAMES.

THE MAJOR LEAGUES.

New York, Saturday.

The following were the results of last week's games in the American baseball League:—

National League.

Saturday (Sept. 3):—

New York 6, Philadelphia 5.

New York 7, Philadelphia 4.

Boston 4, Brooklyn 3.

Boston 4, Brooklyn 6.

Pittsburg 14, St. Louis 0.

Cincinnati 2, Chicago 1.

Sunday (Sept. 4):—

New York 6, Philadelphia 0.

Brooklyn 2, Boston 3.

Brooklyn 3, Boston 2.

Chicago 1, St. Louis 2.

Cincinnati 4, Pittsburg 8.

Monday (Sept. 5):—

New York 1, Boston 6.

New York 9, Boston 8.

Brooklyn 1, Philadelphia 6.

Brooklyn 1, Philadelphia 7.

Pittsburg 3, Cincinnati 4.

Chicago 6, St. Louis 1.

Chicago 0, St. Louis 2.

Tuesday (Sept. 6):—

Pittsburg 5, Cincinnati 0.

New York 9, Boston 6.

St. Louis 13, Chicago 1.

Wednesday (Sept. 7):—

Philadelphia 3, Brooklyn 9.

Philadelphia 1, Brooklyn 2.

St. Louis 8, Chicago 2.

Pittsburg 5, Cincinnati 6.

Thursday (Sept. 8):—

St. Louis 7, Chicago 11.

Chicago 2, New York 7.

St. Louis 8, Brooklyn 6.

Pittsburg 3, Cincinnati 2.

Cincinnati 8, Boston 1.

American League.

Saturday (Sept. 3):—

Philadelphia 1, New York 0.

Washington 4, Boston 3.

Chicago 4, Cleveland 1.

St. Louis 11, Detroit 10.

Sunday (Sept. 4):—

Washington 3, Boston 5.

St. Louis 4, Detroit 3.

Chicago 3, Cleveland 6.

Monday (Sept. 5):—

Boston 12, New York 11.

Boston 0, New York 5.

Philadelphia 2, Washington 1.

Philadelphia 3, Washington 0.

Detroit 10, Chicago 5.

Cleveland 7, St. Louis 6.

Cleveland 2, St. Louis 3.

Tuesday (Sept. 6):—

Boston 2, New York 14.

Boston 5, New York 2.

Cleveland 4, St. Louis 7.

Philadelphia 9, Washington 14.

Wednesday (Sept. 7):—

Philadelphia 4, Washington 0.

Detroit 6, Chicago 9.

Thursday (Sept. 8):—

New York 2, St. Louis 1.

Philadelphia 9, Detroit 1.

Boston 10, Cleveland 8.

Washington 3, Chicago 4.

Friday (Sept. 9):—

New York 3, St. Louis 9.

Philadelphia 2, Detroit 5.

Boston 6, Cleveland 1.

Washington 0, Chicago 8.

—Reuter's American Service.

POLO TEST IN U.S.

AMERICA BEATS ENGLAND BY 13 GOALS TO 3.

BRILLIANT DISPLAY.

Meadowbrook, Yesterday.

In the first match for the Westchester Cup, after a brilliant display before 50,000 spectators American beat Britain by 13 to 3.

There was a light breeze and the turf was perfect. The teams were unaltered. U.S.A.: Watson Webb, Hitchcock, jr., Malcolm Stevenson and Devereux Milburn. British: Pert, Williams, Roark and Atkinson.

First chukker: After ninety seconds play Hitchcock scored after carrying the ball half the length of the field with fine sweeping strokes. Half a minute later Stevenson scored after a good run by Hitchcock from midfield. Several British efforts were thwarted by Milburn's magnificent defence.

Second chukker: The British made a drive goalwards but Milburn warded it off. Then Webb, catching ball in midfield until cleverly ridden off by drove towards the British goal Atkinson.

British Rallies.

In the next chukker the British made repeated rallies down field but met with a stonewall defence. Near the goal mouth Williams and Atkinson missed scoring by the narrow margin the latter's shot being just over the posts. The chukker ended with the score still at 2-0.

Midway through the third chukker Atkinson scored from under his horse. Hitchcock soon added two more one being a long shot from midfield and the other from a scrimmage near the posts.

At the beginning of the fourth chukker the British put up a stubborn defence until Hitchcock scored from a high drive. A moment later Webb notched another after a double pass from Hitchcock scoring again before the end of the chukker America led 7-1.

Milburn's Two Goals.

In the fifth chukker Milburn almost immediately scored the crowd cheering as the veteran shot straight through his opponents' posts. In the sixth chukker Roark just missed the American goal. Milburn dribbled half the length field scoring America's ninth goal and in the next chukker Hitchcock and Webb added a goal each.

In the seventh chukker after Webb had added America's twelfth goal Roark scored with a sharp shooting drive from a difficult corner on a pass from Williams.

HANKOW TO-DAY.

Majority of Shops Closed.

EXORBITANT PRICES.

Chinese Soldiers Bullying The Shopkeepers.

A gentleman who was in Hong Kong a few months ago writes from Hankow on August 26:—

I arrived here on July 1, and have not enjoyed my stay here so far. The whole place has gone to rack and ruin as far as business goes, of which there is precious little.

I visited Hankow about five years ago, and it was then a flourishing business centre, and there was even a traffic problem looming in the near future in some parts, but now, in those same parts, one could fire a gun through the streets without much fear of hitting anyone.

Now the disease has spread to the native city, where the majority of the shops are closed, and food is unobtainable. This state of affairs has been brought about by the Government who issued Treasury notes without a Treasury behind them, when naturally the notes very soon became almost valueless, and when the shopkeepers refused to take them, they were compelled to do so under penalty of death, and several were shot.

The result is that many of them have shut their shops and cleared out to the country.

The soldiers were, and are, paid in this currency, and they go into a shop and buy twenty cents worth of goods, and give a \$1 Treasury note in payment, demanding the change of eighty cents in coppers. Then they go and buy another Treasury note for about fifty cents, and do the same again. No wonder the shopkeepers kick.

The farmers refuse to bring in produce unless it is paid for in good money, and the butchers refuse to kill meat.

There is hardly any rice or lard in the city, and what there is, is peddled about and sold at exorbitant prices.

What will be the end, no one can say, but it is a very serious state of affairs.

LATER REPORT.

Labour Unions "Frankly Bolshevik."

The "Central China Post" (Hankow) of September 1 reports:—

Quietness continues to reign in Hankow, and the situation continues to improve. The dearth of soldiery has induced confidence and merchants are now endeavouring to do business as far as their limited stocks will permit. For the first time in weeks the salt shops opened yesterday, and while there was very little business both on account of shortage of stock, and the demand for silver, the fact remains that an attempt is being made to get back to normal conditions.

Central Bank of China notes fell again during the day to 235 per \$100 of foreign money but during the morning a little business was done at 210. Treasury notes remained the same, purchasing value varying from fifty to sixty cents. The ten thousand tiao of coppers which were reported as issued to the Hupeh money union were finished early in the morning. Assuming that the full amount was given out, and there were many disappointed would-be changers of Treasury notes into copper coins, the whole tone at the same time was lighter. Periodical reports of huge Southern victories were issued which considerably assisted matters, in spite of the fact that the majority of people are indifferent and the minority rather sceptical.

Sun Wen Dollars.

Yesterday we were informed that the Wuchang mint has now reopened for the purpose of coining silver dollars. We have no information as to when these dollars will be issued, but are informed that they will bear the effigy of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and will in all respects be similar to those which are reported as being used in Shanghai. To the merchant in Hankow it will be a matter of indifference whose head the coin bears so long as the silver contents are up to standard. In any case the sight of real money will go a long way toward restoring confidence.

According to telegrams alleged to have been issued from military headquarters, Pukow and Hefei have been captured by the "Nationalist" forces. The capture was supposed to have taken place on the 29th inst., and for all we know to the contrary may be true. Steamers however, which were in this neighbourhood brought news of any battle be-

Pukow and Nanking, and no foreign telegrams have arrived which confirm either of the victories.

Unions Dissatisfied.

There appears to be a good deal of unrest among the labour unions even though they have been reorganised. From all accounts they are frankly Bolshevik, which after all is natural, they are originally a Bolshevik institution and under this regime had a good deal of their own way. Since the Government has laid a restraining hand upon them they have begun to feel the pinch. Businesses which could not be made to pay have taken advantage of the return to sanity of the Government and have discharged a number of workmen who, while they had the whip hand, used it to paralyse business. Some of the banks have discharged employees who were mere encumbrances, and agitators instead of workers, and generally a struggle has been going on to revive business on sound lines.

The unions are now reported to have approached the Government with a view to reverting to the Communist order of things. They state that they were much better off under this regime, as they could dictate to the employers as to who should be employed, and that the action of several of these employers in discharging men is equivalent to oppressing the workmen, which cannot be allowed.

It is further reported that the Government has instructed the labour department to look into the matter and that a conference has been called, which either took place last night or will take place to-day, with the object of investigating conditions and of inducing employers to retain as many men as possible.

Communist Cells.

The Government is now apparently alive to the fact that most of the schools contain Communist cells which are being maintained by Bolshevik interests. From information in our possession there is no doubt that this is so, and it is a source of satisfaction to note that precautions are being taken to prevent the spread of this pestilence and to root out the cause where possible.

Yesterday troops and police were despatched in parties of from two to half a dozen to the various schools with the object of assisting the school authorities in getting rid of the menace where it was known to exist. Practically every school throughout the country, both north and south, is affected.

NEW SIAMESE STAMPS.

Big Order for London Firm.

In the face of strong competition from many quarters, Waterlow and Sons, Ltd., the London printers, have secured a contract to supply 24,000,000 stamps and 4,000,000 postcards to the Siamese Government.

This addition to the already large list of printing contracts secured by London firms from foreign Governments is another proof that London, because of the excellence of the work and the competitive price, has become the centre for the printing of foreign notes and stamps.

SUN IN RETREAT.

NOW ESTABLISHED IN SHANTUNG.

UNITY MEASURES.

Marshal Sun Chuan-fang has fled northwards to Shantung province, according to a cable to the "Hong Kong Evening Post." The commander of the Northern army is stated to have decided on a personal appeal to General Chang Tsung-chang of Shantung for help and reinforcements to meet the Nationalist counter-offensive.

Further successes for the Nationalist forces are claimed, on the north bank of the Yangtze, up the Grand Canal. The despatch says that the Nationalists have captured Chao-pah with over a thousand prisoners and some war material. It corrects the message means that the Nationalists have, on this sector, advanced about forty miles since driving the Northerners back across the Yangtze. It is also stated that the Nationalists are now pushing northwards, following the Grand Canal, to Kao-yao, twenty miles distant.



ONE OF AMERICA'S FOREMOST AUTHORS ENJOYS DESERT LIFE

Harold Bell Wright, one of America's foremost authors, who spends most of his time at his desert ranch outside of Tucson, Arizona, where he roams around in overalls and no shirt. Left to right: T. K. Hickey, Sheriff Walt Bailey, Wright's partner and ranch manager, and Mr. Wright.

Wu Pei-fu Again?

Marshal Wu Pei-fu's name is again in the limelight. He is quoted as having asked Marshal Chang Tso-lin, head of the Fengtien Party in control at Peking, for \$300,000 with which to launch a drive from far-off Szechuan province, down the upper stretches of the Yangtze River, against Nationalist territory around Hankow.

Wu Pei-fu mentions General Yang Sen as the man who will provide the army with which to launch his comeback. Yang Sen, of Wanhhsien fame, has been a subordinate of Wu Pei-fu for some years but has changed his "colour" several times recently and was lately fighting the Nationalists. However, representations are stated to have been made by other generals in Szechuan, to General Yang Sen, warning him against the consequences of embarking on another adventure. The report concludes by attributing to Yang Sen a declaration that he has no intention of supporting Wu Pei-fu.

Threat Materialising.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Officers and officials attached to the headquarters of General

Tang Seng-chi have arrived at Anking.—"H.K. Evening Post."

[General Tang Seng-chi commands the 8th Nationalist Army and is the "strong man" of the Wu-Han faction of the Nationalists. One or two other army corps are also subordinate to him. He is at present moving down the Yangtze River, from Hankow, to strengthen the Wu-Han faction's position at Nanking. Anking is the capital of Anhui province, situated on the Yangtze River, above Wuhu, where a comparatively big force of Wu-Han troops is in possession. The situation at Wuhu is unpromising.]

The New Regime.

Indications have become apparent that while the diehards of General Chiang Kai-shek's following are stubbornly opposed to reconciliation with the Wu-Han faction of the Nationalists, a number of influential personages on the Nanking side are now moving in conjunction with Mr. Wang Ching-wai, chairman of the Kuomintang and the accepted leader of the Wu-Han politicians.

Kuomintang Conservatives who was expelled by Chiang Kai-shek.

Probable Landslide.

The fraternising of the leaders named above indicates a probable landslide in Wu-Han's favour at the peace conference to be held on September 15.

A notable absentee was General Ho Ying-ching, who succeeded Chiang Kai-shek as commander of the 1st Nationalist Army and who is a staunch supporter of his old chief. He pleaded an indisposition and sent a representative.

The "Hong Kong Evening Post" states that Mr. Wang Ching-wai is to call a preliminary unofficial conference in Shanghai to pave the way for the conference proper, and to induce the five members of Chiang Kai-shek's Government (who resigned with their chief) to return to office.

SWATOW SAFE.

Mixed Troops a Long Way Off.

Doubts exist as to conditions in Swatow, but reliable reports have reached Hong Kong and Canton to the effect that the "Red" invasion has not materialised and that order has been temporarily restored.

Troops loyal to General Li Chai-sum, commander-in-chief at Canton, have arrived at Swatow, not in large numbers but strong enough to control the situation. A warship, the "Fei Ying," is also in port.

The former administration was under officials appointed by General Chiang Kai-shek. Their precipitate flight has paved the way to Swatow coming under the Canton regime.

Panic Over.

Business has been resumed and the panic is over. But notes of the Nationalist Government's Central Bank (Swatow branch) are not accepted. This is because the bank's cash was removed on Monday by orders of the garrison commander who also shipped away most of the arms and ammunition available at the moment.

It is predicted that when General Li Chai-sum's famous 13th division arrives, remnants of the departed garrison commander's force will be completely disposed of.

Invaders Still Far Off.

Anxiety is felt regarding the movements of invaders up-country.

Peasants' Corps are stated to have occupied part of Mui-yuen but this place is 24 hours' journey from Swatow by motor-launch via the Han River. Overland, the distance is greater.

Then Ping-yuen is believed to be in the hands of the anti-Nationalist troops who came down from Kiangsi province. Ping-yuen is further inland than Mui-yuen and two ranges of mountains have to be crossed before an attacking force can threaten Swatow itself.

CHEN AT MOSCOW.

Has a Confab With Chicherin.

Moscow, Yesterday. Comrade Chicherin has had a conference with Eugene Chen.—"Reuter."

CANTON SITUATION.

Arrest Ordered of Koo Ying-fan.

ECHO OF "HOLD-UP."

Women in The Capital On The Warpath.

An appeal has been made by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at Shanghai, to the Chinese Defence Commissioner, to place under arrest Mr. Koo Ying-fan who has just arrived there.

Mr. Koo Ying-fan passed through Hong Kong last week, on leaving Canton, where he held the posts of Nationalist Finance Minister and Kwangtung provincial Finance Minister. When the Central Bank closed for five days, owing to the "run" made on it, Mr. Koo Ying-fan "blockaded" the native bankers for funds to meet the crisis.

Serious Charge.

The Chinese merchants in Shanghai strongly resented this action by Mr. Koo Ying-fan. According to the "Hong Kong Evening Post," the merchants accused him of "anti-Revolutionary motives in interfering with the financial market and thereby disturbing conditions in the rear." The cable adds that Mr. Koo's arrest and trial are demanded but there is no mention of the response that the demand has met.

After having just assumed office, the new Finance Minister at Canton (Mr. Fung Chuk-man) has issued an order that a rent tax due on September 1 will not be collected. The tax of one month's rent had been discussed before Mr. Fung's appointment.

Political Gestures.

Little concern is felt in Canton now over the Swatow situation but General Li Chai-sum is still sending troops to Shantung (on the junction of the Canton-Kowloon Railway and the East River) and to Waichow city (further up the East River).

Canton is still interested in the political situation. The Kwangtung provincial branch of the Nationalist Party has declared its support for the Nanking Government and is issuing a circular telegram asking for the return to office of General Chiang Kai-shek. Labour Guilds & Women's Guilds.

Labour troubles still prevail in Canton. Regulations were framed by the administration some time ago governing the relations of masters and men but a new dispute has cropped up in connection with the right of employers to discharge employees.

To strengthen a demand for higher wages, the pork butchers' guild has ordered a strike of its members.

Some of the organisations in Canton, confined exclusively to the fair sex, are under suspicion. Allegations have been made that certain institutions are not bona fide. The Women's Department of the Kuomintang is attempting to get under its control everything pertaining to the formation of women's clubs, societies, etc.

15,000 CHINESE.

ILLEGAL ENTRY INTO PHILIPPINES.

Representative Pascual B. Azanza, of Samar, initiated a movement in the house for a thorough and complete investigation of Chinese who have illegally come into the Philippines. At the session of the chamber, Mr. Azanza presented a resolution to order the home committee on labour and immigration to make the insular collector of customs explain how it was that "15,000 Chinese are in the islands," having successfully evaded customs immigration barriers.

The resolution is now being considered by the committee. It reads in part: "The committee on labour and immigration be hereby instructed to make a strict probe into the causes and means employed by 15,000 Chinese in clandestinely entering the Philippines, and to determine the responsibility of the bureau of customs in this connection."

Mr. Azanza asserted that thousands of Chinese are shamelessly flouting the law.

Vicente Aldanes, insular collector of customs, in an interview with a representative of the "Bulletin" could not estimate the number of Chinese now in the island who are there illegally. When questioned he only replied that there are many thousands of Chinese who have evaded detection. It has also been stated by officials of the bureau of customs that that office does not possess the necessary means for the detection of illegal entry.

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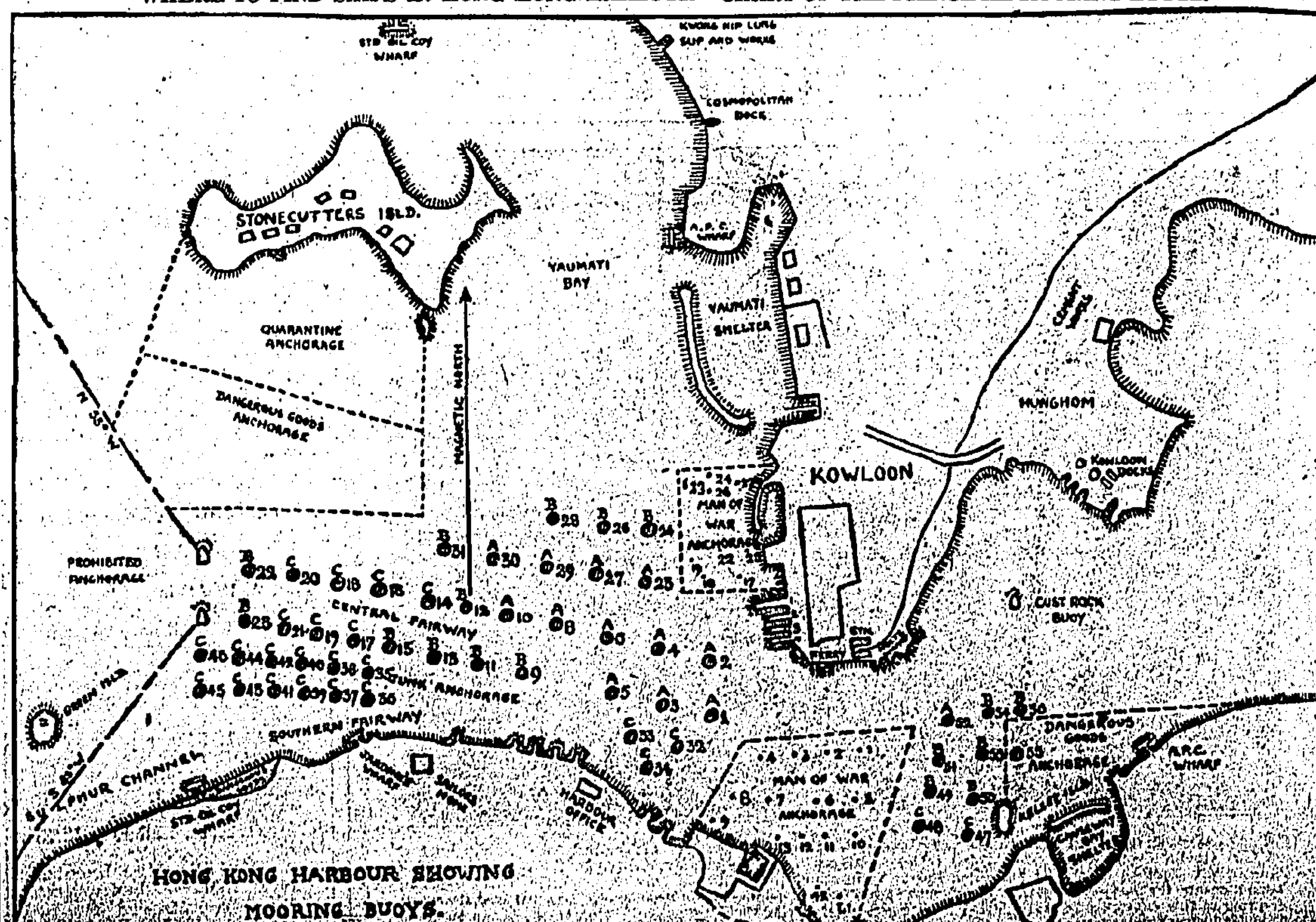
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WAS SLATER INNOCENT?

NEW GIRL WITNESS AFTER 19-YEARS.

Another sensational and highly controversial chapter has been added to "the Mystery of Oscar Slater," who for 18 years has been serving a life sentence for a murder of which, many expert criminologists, including the creator of Sherlock Holmes, believe him innocent.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle has now written a gripping introduction to a volume by Mr. William Park, a Glasgow journalist, who has just published a book called "The Truth About Oscar Slater."

It may be recalled that on December 21, 1908, an eighty-two-years-old, unmarried woman named Marion Gilchrist, who lived at 15, Queen's Terrace, West Princess Street, Glasgow, was found murdered.

A few days after, a German Jew known as Oscar Slater was arrested and charged with the murder. On May 6, 1909, he was found guilty and sentenced to death.

On the eve of his execution, which should have taken place at Glasgow on May 27 came a sensational reprieve and he, in the words of Sir Arthur, "is still eating out his heart in Peterhead Jail."

In the course of a trenchant appeal for a public inquiry, Sir Arthur makes a series of startling allegations against persons in high authority who were interested in the conduct of the trial.

He points out that in 1914 a Single Commissioner was appointed to inquire into the whole matter. But "that matters of vital moment to a genuine inquiry, including the conduct of the police in the preparation of the case, were excluded from the investigation."

Many to Blame.

There are many to blame for the persistent miscarriage of justice," says Sir Arthur.

Judge Guthrie is to blame because he did not bring out the points which would have thrown light on the truth.

The Lord Advocate is to blame because his speech was a heated and unmeasured one, containing statements which were errors in fact.

Witnesses were to blame who allowed their testimony to vary at different times and stages of the proceedings.

Each successive Secretary of State for Scotland is to blame because he did not use his own independent mind to find out an obvious truth.

Sheriff Millar is to blame for the conduct of the white-washing committee of 1914, but, above all, the Procurator Fiscal and the

police, who had the conduct of the case, are those who bear the heaviest load.

The genesis of the error of Slater's conviction is explained by Sir Arthur.

"It was supposed, though it has never been proved, that a diamond brooch had been taken from Miss Gilchrist's room at the time of the murder.

Pawned a Brooch.

"The police discovered that Slater had left Glasgow for America and that he had pawned a diamond brooch."

Sir Arthur contends that this brooch never belonged to Miss Gilchrist, that it was Slater's and the police knew it, before he sailed for America.

However, a cable was sent to have Slater arrested on his arrival in New York, "a grave official blunder against Slater," says Sir Arthur.

Now Mr. William Park makes known the evidence of a party hitherto unknown in the case.

She is a girl who makes the claim that she was an eye-witness in West Princess Street on the night of the murder, at the precise moment when the assailant rushed from the stairway. This man, she is prepared to swear, was not Oscar Slater.

She explains her decision to refrain to give evidence at the trial because she did not want to be mixed up in a murder case, and was very much influenced by her husband who besought her to keep clear of the law courts.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle concludes his introduction to Mr. Park's book by demanding a thorough public inquiry into the whole matter. "But let it be a real inquiry."

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An Amsterdam telegram states that on October 1 the military airman Lieutenant Koppen will start from Schiphol on a flight to Batavia, returning to Schiphol aerodrome the same month. He will use a Fokker VII machine, with three Armstrong-Siddeley Lynx engines. The route will be divided in daily journeys of about 710 to 968 miles, the return journey being thus accomplished in ten flying days each way. On neither occasion will the airman land at Singapore, but it is proposed to stop at Medan, the main purpose of the flight being the transport of mails.



UNIONS STILL ALIVE.

BUT MORE POLITE IN TONE.

While unions of late do not appear to have been so active as formerly they have certainly adopted a much better tone of address. The Hankow Pure Ice Company has recently had occasion to discharge several of its men and this has brought forth a letter which is worth publishing as an illustration of the different tone now adopted by the unions in comparison to that of a few months ago. The letter which comes from the Provincial Union states that they have been requested to take up the case by the Engineers Union and it reads as follows:—

"We beg to state that in accordance with reports sent in by working members of the Hankow Pure Ice Works, to the union to which they belong that the manager of the said works has discharged over ten of the workmen without any reason, and that three more doorkeepers are to be discharged on the 1st of September. This constitutes a grave danger to the workmen since they have been discharged against their will, and for no reason of which they can approve.

Manager Must Behave.

"All unions are under the protection of the Central Government through whom the privileges of the workmen are safeguarded, and since the workmen are thus oppressed there is no difference between this and spoliating the policy of the 'Nationalist' Government for the protection of the farmers and labourers. You are hereby requested to hand this matter over for negotiation to higher authorities so that the workmen who have been discharged will be able to resume their employment, and moreover instruct the manager not to repeat such behaviour in the future. If workmen are to be discharged for the simple reason that business is slack they should be given allowances in accordance with the scale drawn up by the unions, and their posts are not allowed to be filled by other candidates upon business again becoming normal."

The letter continues to the effect that as the writers are responsible for the safeguarding of the privileges of the workmen, they must request that these men are permitted to resume their work forthwith, and that in future if it is desired to discharge men the union will be first consulted so that justice can be done to both sides. The letter is decidedly different in tone to what employers have grown accustomed, but it is obvious that the laws of supply and demand are still a sealed book to those who consider themselves an authority on the labour question. The difference in tone, however, is ample evidence of the ability of the Government to curb bellicosity when they feel inclined to do so.

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